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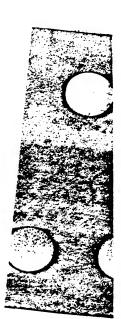
#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. MacFarland telephoned from Cleveland to advise that <u>Bert</u> and <u>Ted</u> Angus had entered pleas of guilty to the charges preferred against them growing out of the harboring of Kerpis and Campbell, and had each been sentenced to two years and ten months imprisonment and a fine of \$500.00 each.

Edith Barry entered a plea of guilty to similar charges and was sentenced to two years imprisonment and a fine of \$500.00.

Ed and Clara McGraw, who had entered pleas of guilty, withdrew them. There is no indication as to when their cases will be disposed of, nor when the case involving Frank Greenwald will be disposed of.

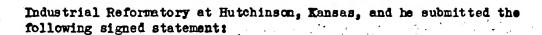




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"Hutchinson, Kansas July 3, 1937

"Statement of Preston Leroy Paden, Register #12184, Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, made to Special Agents A. E. Farland and S. B. Landrum, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, on this date, relative to the activities of one Hugh Larimer, an Attorney of Topeka, Kansas.

"I am 20 years of age, single, and am serving a life sentence for murder. I was convicted in Rice County, Kansas, in September, 1936.

"I am the son of Mrs. Edna Murray, who is now serving a sentence for highway robbery in the Missouri State Prison for Women at Jefferson City, Missouri. While an inmate of the Missouri State Prison she escaped and while at liberty met up with Volney Davis, whom she had known many years, and lived with him up until the time she and Davis were apprehended in February, 1935. Volney Davis is now serving a life sentence in Alcatraz Federal Prison for his connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case. My mother was returned to the Missouri State Prison after her apprehension.

"Prior to my conviction on the murder charge I am now serving and prior to the conviction of Volney Davis for his complicity in the Bremer case I was closely connected with Volney Davis, Jess Doyle and John Langon. I accompanied them on several jobs which they pulled, including the robbery of the Drexel State Bank, Drexel, Missouri, in December, 1934, and the robbery of the O. K. Blankenship and his brother in North Kansas City, Missouri, in January, 1935.

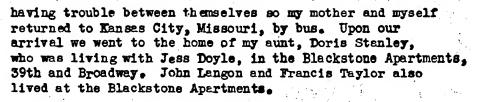
WWe got \$2500 in the Drexel Bank job and the money was divided four ways. The Oldsmobile Eight Sedan, black color, used in this robbery was stolen in Kansas City, Missouri, by Volney Davis and myself. We stole that car at 39th and Main Street, and after the robbery we kept it in a private garage across the street from the Blackstone

Apartments, 39th and Broadway, Kansas City, Mo. Several days after the robbery Davis, Doyle, Langon and myself wrecked this car south of Kansas City while we were in route to the State of Oklahoma. Davis said that he knew of a small town in Oklahoma where the Police Department kept their machine gun in the firestation, and Davis was going down there and set fire to the town and then steal the machine gun. After the wreck we stopped some people on the road and took a 1934 Ford V-8 Coach away from them. This car was the property of a mail carrier. That car was later abandoned near Fort Scott, Kansas, by Volney Davis. However we used that car when we robbed the Blankenship brothers, in January, 1935.

"Volney Davis had heard that the Blankenship brothers were very wealthy and had \$30,000 in cash in their home. He planned to rob them with the assistance of Doyle, Langon and myself. The night before they were robbed Doyle and Langon unsuccessfully attempted to get in the Blankenship home. Early the next morning Davis, Doyle and Langon and myself went to the Blankenship home and we able to gain entry when Davis flashed a tin badge on them and told them that he was a state highway officer. After getting in the house Volney Davis flashed a gun and made all of the occupants of the house to lay down on the floor. When he did that he said he was going to shake the house down. One of the old men said that he had never been treated that way before by officers, and said that he had \$2500 under a mattress and that if we touched it he would cause us some trouble. We got that \$2500 and \$100 off of one of the old men. Subsequent to that robbery we returned to Kansas City, Missouri.

wwhile Volney Davis and my mother, Edna Murray, were in
the state of Ohio in 1934 Davis bought a 1934 Chevrolet
Panel Sedan, which he used to move to the State of Montana
in. In Montana he went in business with Cory Bales at
Wheeler, Montana. They operated a night club at that
place. I went to Wheeler, Montana, in that Panel Sedan, with
Volney Davis. Davis picked me up in Cardin, Oklahoma. My
mother went to Montana in a 1934 Ford Sedan and in en route
from Ohio to Montana she picked up the wife of Cory Bales
at Aurora, Illinois. As near as I can recall we remained
in Montana about two months. Davis and my mother were





"I remained in Kansas City only a few days and then went to the home of my grandmother in Cardin, Oklahoma, and stayed there about two months. When I returned to Kansas City Volney Davis was there and he and my mother were residing at an apartment house in the 4500 block on South Troost Street. When Volney Davis returned to Kansas City, Mo., from Wheeler, Montana, he made the trip in the Ford that my mother drove to Montana, and he left the 1934 Panel Chevrolet Truck in Montana with Corey Bales. After arriving in Kansas City Davis traded the Ford for a Pontias Sedan, which was taken from his possession at the time of his arrest.

"In February, 1935, Volney Davis sent me to Montana to see whether or not Corey Bales was running his place all right. Earl Stuchlik went to Montana with me on this occasion and he was thinking of taking the Montana night club over. While I was in Montana I saw a newspaper article which stated that Jess Doyle had been arrested and had escaped from two Federal Agents. After seeing that article I decided to return to Kansas City, and Earl Stuchlik and myself drove the 1934 Panel Chevrolet Truck and a 1933 Chevrolet Coupe back to Topeka, Kansas. En route to Kansas City we learned from newspaper articles that Doris Stanley, Jess Doyle, Volney Davis and my mother had been arrested end that Volney had escaped. We decided to go to Topeka, Kansas, to confer with Hugh Larimer, an Attorney whom I had known for some time.

\*I have been acquainted with Hugh Larimer since early childhood, and he had done some legal work for members of my family.

"Before going to see Hugh Larimer Earl Stuchlik stored the 1934 Panel Chevrolet Truck that belonged to Volney Davis in a private garage, under the name of J. E. Hanson. I do

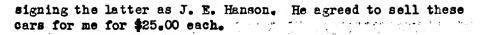


not recall the address of the garage where this truck was stored. Thereafter Stuchlik and myself met Hugh Larimer in his office in the First National Bldg., in Topeka. We told him that we had Volney Davis' truck which we had brought back from Montana and that we wanted to leave the papers to it in his office. We also told him that we wanted him to represent Doyle, Doris Stanley, and my mother. He was also asked to defend my uncle and aunt. Harry and Sybil Stanley. He did not represent Doyle, Doris Stanley or my mother, but he did represent Harry and Sybil Stanley. At the time I left the title papers to the above mentioned Chevrolet Truck with Larimer I told him that I was leaving the papers with him because I did not want them on me should I be arrested. When Earl Stuchlik and myself left Topeka on this occasion we went to Kansas City and took Hugh Larimer with us for the purpose of trying to see my relatives who were being held in jail in Kansas City Mo., and Kensas City, Kansas. When we arrived in Kansas City, Mo., we registered in the Missouri Hotel. Lerimer was unable to see Mother and Jess Doyle, but he did see Doris Stanley, who was in jail in Kansas City, Mo. Doris Stanley had smuggled some money and jewelry into the jail with her and she sent \$450 and one diamond ring to me by Hugh Larimer. Hugh Larimer knew all along that my apprehension was desired by the Federal authorities.

"Thereafter we decided to go to Fort Scott, Kansas, where Harry and Sybil Stanley were being held in jail, but Hugh Larimer would not ride to Fort Scott in the car with us because he said we were hot. He went down on the train and we met him at a hotel there.

"From Fort Scott we returned to Kansas City, Missouri, and Earl Stuchlik was arrested in my car, a 1933 Che vrolet Coupe. I then went to the home of my grandmother at Cardin, Oklahoma, where I stayed about two weeks.

Thereafter I went to Topeka, Kansas, to see Hugh Larimer to get him to obtain my car from the Sheriff at Kansas City, Missouri. I told him that I wanted him to sell my car and the Panel Truck that belonged to Volney Davis. He told me that in order to protect himself it would be necessary for me to sign the papers to my car over to him, and write him a letter, as though he was not in Topeka, Kansas, when I was at his office. I signed the papers to my car over to him,



"When Doris Stanley was taken to Topeka to get Jess Doyle's money at the U. S. Marshal's Office she saw Hugh Larimer and he gave her \$100 to give to me. He said that money was for the sale of my car. He also told her that he had not yet sold the truck but that when he did he would send me the money. I have since learned that he realized \$300 from the sale of my car and had gyped me out of \$200. Thereafter Doris Stanley and I moved to McPherson, Kansas, and I called Hugh Larimer several times by telephone and asked him whether or not he had sold the truck and each time he told me that he had not sold it, so I went to Topeka to see him. I arrived at Topeka late one night and met Larimer at his office and he told me that he still had the truck, but that I could not get it because the man who owned the garage was at the show. The next morning he told me that he had sold the truck and did not intend to give me the money for it, because he said that he thought Earl Stuchlik owed him the money. I told him at that time that the truck belonged to Volney Davis, and that Davis and Alvin Karpis had driven me to Topeka, and that if he did not give me the money for the truck I was going back and tell Davis and Davis would come up and kill him. (As a matter of fact neither Davis or Karpis were in Topeka with me.) Larimer said that he was going to call the police and I told him that he was not going to call the police but that I was. I then called Doris Stanley at McPherson and told her that Larimer was not going to give me the money, and she said she was coming to Topeka immediately. She did come to Topeka and after talking to Larimer she told him that she was going to call Mr. Farland of the Department of Justice. Larimer them suggested that we all go to Leavenworth and see Earl and see if Earl did not think that he (Earl) owed him that much money. We went to Leavenworth and Larimer failed to meet us, and Doris tried to contact Mr. Farland by telephone but could not get in touch with him. We did nothing further to get the money for that truck from Larimer.

"After Volney Davis had been indicted in St. Paul, Minn., for his connection with the Bremer Kidnaping, I went to the home of Hugh Larimer, in Topeka, Kansas, with Volney Davis. Volney Davis said that he wanted to see Larimer because Larimer had sent for him, and another reason for the trip

to Topeka was that Davis wanted to case the Helzberg Jewelry Store. Upon arriving at the house of Hugh Larimer we went inside and was introduced to Mrs. Larimer. Volney Davis was introduced to Mrs. Lerimer as Curly. While in the Larimer home Hugh Larimer said that he had seen a newspaper article to the effect that Davis had been indicted in the Bremer case and he asked me whether or not Volney Davis was the one who pulled the actual snatch, and I told him that he was. Davis was not in the room when Larimer asked me this question. While we were in the Larimer home on this occasion Larimer suggested a method to Davis by which the night depository of the First National Bank in Topeka could be robbed, and seid that he wanted 10% of the take. I was to take part in the robbery. We never had an opportunity to pull this robbery and the robbery of the Helzberg Jewelry store because Volney Davis was arrested shortly thereafter.

"In connection with the 1934 Panel Chevrolet Truck I wish to add that when Earl Stuchlik stored that car in the private garage in Topeka we locked that garage and Earl kept one key and I kept one. When Larimer got that car out of the garage he took same without my permission and broke the lock on the garage door. He told me that he broke the lock off of the door to get in the garage.

"In the early part of 1934, to be the best of my recollection, an attempt was made to extort \$10,000 from

Francis Taylor, now serving a sentence in the

rederal Prison for Women at Alderson, W. Va.,

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extortion plot was engineered by Hugh Larimer. John Langon and Earl Stuchlik told me about Larimer's connection with this plot, and I have heard Larimer and Stuchlik discuss the plot in the Missouri Hotel in Kansas City, Mo. At that time Larimer said that the reason they were unable to get the money from the old men was because Francis Taylor was hot and could not appear in court.

"I have read the foregoing statement and the same is true



and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness: A. E. Farland

(Signed) Preston Paden

S. B. Landrum

Special Agents
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Kansas City, Mo.\*\*

It will be noted that Paden has previously furnished information concerning those facts mentioned in his signed statement to Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, as reflected in the reference letter from the Kansas City office to the Bureau dated 1-19-37. It is further noted that the facts reflected in the signed statement submitted by Paden are not in every detail exactly the same to those furnished to Special Agent Fitzsimons. Those discrepancies appearing were called to the attention of Paden and he advised that the information appearing in his signed statement is true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

The reporting Agent called at the Missouri State
Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, for the purpose of interviewing
Edna Murray, an inmate of that institution and the mother of Preston Leroy
Paden. At the time Edna Murray was interviewed she was slightly indisposed
and was unable to make a written statement, but on 3-11-37 she advised the
reporting Agent by letter that she had written a statement and requested
Agent call at the State Prison and secure same. The statement, which
appears in the bandwriting of Edna Murray, is quoted as follows:

"In the month of July, year of 1934, one Volney Davis traded in a 1931 Buick sedan which was in the name of 'J. E. Hanson' on a 1934 Panel Chevrolet truck. This transaction was made in Cleveland, Ohio.

"To the best of my knowledge Davis paid cash for the balance.

"Around the first part of August 1934 we drove to Glascow, Montana, Davis driving the Penel truck and I, Edna Murray, drove the Ford sedan which we had purchased in Toledo, Ohio.



"Davis drove through Oklahoma and picked up my son one Preston Paden bringing him to Glasgow, Montana.

"There Davis started building of a night club near Wheeler, Montana. Later being known as the Hollywood Inn.

"Shortly after building had begun one Corey Bales, Davis and my son Preston Paden had an argument. I took Preston Paden back to Oklahoma.

"In a few days I returned to Montana alone. In a few days Davis and I drove the Ford sedan back to Kansas City, Missouri. We sold the Ford sedan to a used car dealer and bought one Pontiac eight sedan. Under the name of 'Grace R. Hasen.'

"We stayed in Kansas City one week then we returned to Wheeler, Montana.

"When we arrived there Corey Bales who was in charge of the Hollywood Inn informed us that G men had been there inquiring about Davis and I.

We immediately left for Kansas City, Missouri. Leaving the Panel truck in Corey Bales' care. In the month of November, 1934, Davis and I sent one Harry Stanley and his wife to Wheeler, Montana to help Corey Bales with the management of the Hollywood Inn. Davis had invested \$6000.00 in the Hollywood Inn.

"Stanley and wife stayed at the Hollywood Inn about one month.

"They came back to Pittsburg, Kansas. There Davis and I visited them. There Stanley told us Bales had said that he would run the Hollywood Inn to suit himself as Davis was hot and could not return there.

"In a few weeks Davis sent my son Preston Paden to Glasgow. Paden drove his own Chevrolet coupe. Paden taking one Earl Stuchlik with him for company. Before Paden left Davis gave him the title to the Panel truck (which Davis had kept). Davis told Paden to tell Bales that he, Davis, wanted Bales to sell the Hollywood Inn. As Davis had put the Hollywood Inn in Corey Bales and Preston Paden's names. Paden told Bales what Davis had instructed him to tell him.

"Bales told Paden that the place was in his, Bales, name and there was nothing Davis could do about it.

"Davis told Paden before he left for Montana if Bales got smart with him, to bring the truck back with him or sell it which ever he cared to do. As Davis had given him the truck.

"Paden drove the truck back. Stuchlik drove Paden's coupe back.

"Before they reached Kansas City Davis and I had been arrested.

"While I was in jail at St. Paul, Minn. my son Preston Paden visited me. He told me that when Stuchlik was arrested in Kensas City he, Stuchlik, was driving his, Paden's, Chevrolet coupe. The police tried to confiscate the car and that he Paden had paid one Hugh Laimer to get his car from the Kansas City Police.

"He Paden also told me that he Paden had the Panel Chevrolet truck stored in a garage in Topeka, Kansas and that one Hugh Laimer who is an attorney was going to sell the truck for him. Hugh Laimer sold Paden's Chevrolet coupe. Paden only received one hundred dollar out of the sale of the car. Laimer telling Paden he would pay him Paden the balance later and to my knowledge one hundred dollars was all that Paden received.

"In March year 36 my son Preston Paden visited me at State Penitentiary. He Paden told me Hugh Laimer had sold the truck for \$450.00 and that he Paden went to Laimer to collect the money and Laimer told him Paden that he had nothing coming. That he Laimer would not give Paden any part of the money and there was not a thing he could do about it."

It is to be noted that this statement does not bear any signature of Edna Murray at the end thereof.

At Topeka, Kansas, Special Agent B. P. Cruise interviewed

advised that there are three Hugh Larimers listed therein who reside at Topeka, one of whom was formerly an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The other two are father and son, who apparently reside in

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Agent is not related to the father and son who reside in Topeka and that the last inquiry as to the former Bureau Agent was made in 1932 which reflected that he had been transferred to the Portland office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Agent Cruise further ascertained that Hugh Clifford Larimer, an attorney at Topeka, Kansas, with an office in the National Bank of Topeka Building, is listed

The address of Hugh Clifford Larimer in Topeka, kansas, is 2145 Maryland Street. Agent Cruise consulted Martindale's Lawyer Directory which reflected that Eugh Clifford Larimer was born in 1900 and was admitted to the Kansas Bar in 1926. He is presently a member of the law firm of Larimer and Linge. Hugh Dillon Larimer, a retired contractor, 109 Woodland Street. Topeka, Kansas, is the father of Hugh Clifford Larimer, according to the Concerning Hugh Larimer, who was formerly a Special Agent of the Bureau anewspaper clipping indicating that the said Hugh Larimer worked on the Leavenworth Prison break in August, 1932, and had been transferred to Portland, Oregon.

Agent Cruise also interviewed Miss Doris Kendle, Chief Clerk in the U. S. Attorney's office at Topeka, Kenses, who advised that she was acquainted with the former Agent, Hugh Larimer, who is no relation to the two Hugh Larimers now residing in Topeka, Kansas. When Miss Kendle last heard of former Agent Hugh Larimer, he held an investigative position with some private company, which Miss Kendle thinks was an oil company with offices in Oklahoma City.

An effort was made to interview Doris Stenley, alias Doris O'Connor, alias Doris Stuchlik, who is a sister of Edna Murray and an aunt of Preston Leroy Paden, who was last reported in Lyons, Kansas, where she was the proprietress of a tourist camp. It was ascertained that she had left Lyons, Kansas, for a vacation and the Sheriff et Lyons advised that he understood she would return in the next two or three weeks, at which time she will be interviewed for further information concerning the activities of attorney Hugh Clifford Larimer, Topeka, Kansas.

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KANSAS CITY FIELD OFFICE will ascertain when Doris Stanley returns to Lyons, Kansas, and will interview her concerning the activities of Hugh Clifford Larimer, mentioned in this report.

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Special Agent in Charge, Kansas City, Missourie

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. E. Farland dated at Kansas City, July 13, 1937, in connection with certain statements concerning attorney Hugh Larimer made by Preston Leroy Paden. The Bureau desires that the outstanding investigation in this matter receive proupt and vigorous attention in order that all of the facts may be obtained for submission to the United States Attorney for his decision as to possible prosecution against Larimer for harboring Volney Davis prior to the running of the Statute of Limitations. In this connection Davis was indicted at St. Paul, Minnesots, on January 22, 1935, in connection with the kidenaping of Edward George Bremur.

It is believed that Earl Stuchlik's location should be ascertained and that he should be interviewed for any information he may have regarding this matter.

It is noted that Faden states he visited Hugh Larimer with Velney Davis following Davis' indictment at St. Faul, and that while in the Larimer home the latter made the statement that he had seen a newspaper article to the effect that Davis had been indicted in the Bremer case. It should be definitely ancertained whether there are any other witnesses who can testify to any contacts Larimer had with Davis following his indictment, and as to any knowledge on Larimer's part that he knew Davis was under indictment and wanted by the Government at the time of these contacts.

COMMUNICATIONS As above outlined, this investigation should receive premingred attention so that it may be presented to the United States Attorney in its entirety for his decision as to prosecution at an early AUG date 1937

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John Edgar Roover, Directore

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Special Agent in Charge, Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau letter of August 5, 1937, in which reference was ande to the report of Special gent A. S. Farlant, dated at Kensas City, July 13, 1937, in connection with certain statements concerning Attorney Hugh Larimer made by Freston Leroy Feden.

To date the file does not indicate that this matter has been given appropriate attention, and it is desired that the same be pisced in line for immediate investigative attention and the sureau advised of the results.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Time - 10:10 A. M.

July 14, 1937.

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case

SAC Chapmon Fletcher telephoned me from the Little Rock office requesting authorization for Agents Madala and Suttler to handle a couple of leads in Kilgore and Dallas, Texas, in connection with the above entitled investigation. Mr. Fletcher estimated that it would require two days to complete the investigation of these leads. Authorization was granted for Agents Madala and Suttler to conduct this investigation.

I urged SAC Fletcher to expedite this investigation as much as possible as it has been outstanding for some time.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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1130 Enquirer Building Cincinnati, Ohio

HDH: MGR 7-43 July 13, 1937.

TO ALL FIELD OFFICES:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
I. O. #1232 - FUGITIVE;
ANTHONY J. AMERSBACH, with aliases FUGITIVE, et al.,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
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NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

In connection with the above entitled case, a number of offices have, in the past, been requested to conduct investigation in an effort to locate one GEORGE G. RORKE for questioning relative to machine guns purchased by him for shipment to Ireland.

George G. Rorke was located and interviewed recently at Boston, Massachusetts, and consequently no further efforts should be made to locate this individual.

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H. D. HARRIS, Special Agent in Charge.

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#### United States Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1881 Seattle, Washington July 12, 1937



Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith a copy of a letter received by me dated July 2, 1937 from Mrs. Edna Murray, who is presently incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary. Edna Murray's letter refers to her failure to collect witness fees from the Government after testifying before a Federal Grand Jury at Cleveland, Ohio in connection with the harboring cases at that place.

Edna Murray transmitted to me the letter she received from Hazel Kuntz, Deputy United States Marshal, Cleveland, Ohio, advising her that the Government did not pay witness fees to prisoners. A copy of this letter is likewise transmitted herewith to the Bureau.

As a matter of information for the Bureau, when Edna Murray appeared at St. Paul, Minnesota as a witness in connection with the trials had at that place in the Bremer and Hamm Kidnaping cases, Mr. George Sullivan, United States Attorney, secured witness fees for Edna Murray, but of course she was not permitted traveling or per diem expenses, but she was allowed the usual daily witness fee for the time that she was held in custody in St. Paul as a witness. In view of the whole-hearted cooperation extended to the Bureau by Edna Murray, and also in view of the smallness of the amount involved, I recommend that if it is not inconsistent with the policies of the Bureau that this matter be called to the attention of the Department, in order that Edna Murray can be duly compensated.

A copy of Edna Murray's letter and the letter addressed to Edna Murray by the Deputy United States Marshal are being furnished to each of the Kansas City and Cleveland offices.

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R. C. SURAN Special Agent

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cc-Cleveland, Kansas City

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MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY
Jefferson City, Missouri

July 2nd, 1937

Mr. Raymond Suran,
Agent in Charge, Dept. of Justice
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Mr. Suran:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from U. S. Deputy Marshall of Cleveland, Ohio, relative to my fees, Contents to be noted by you.

I am somewhat disappointed in the Governments attitude in this matter and I can not understand why I have to go through so much trouble, inorder to secure said fees; since I have been fair with the Government and thus far, they have been so with me.

When I made the trip to Jacksonville, Florida in the Myrtle Eaton Harboring Case, I spent \$12.00 of my own funds to look presentable as a witness. I have likewise never been reimbursed for this expense.

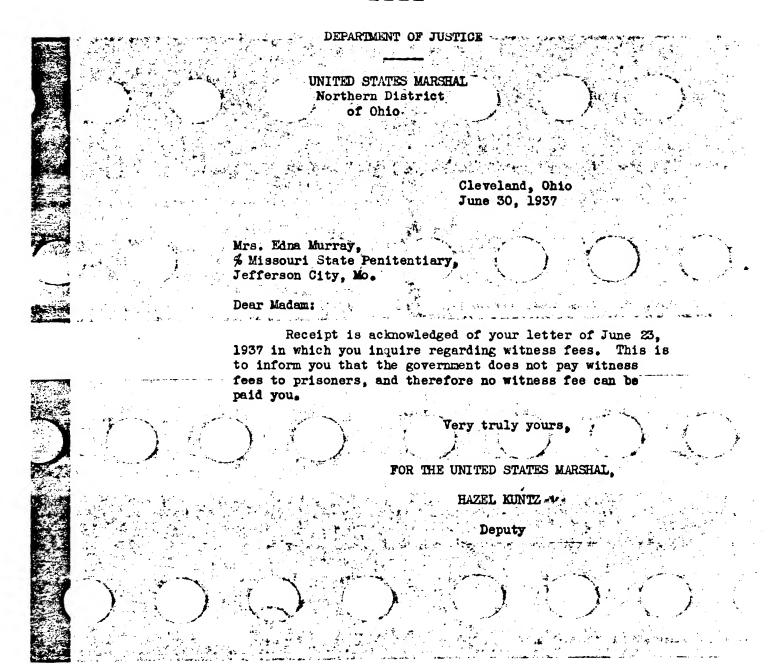
Will you please secure fees due me in the above case and the refund of item in the Florida Case as I am ill and in need of funds.

Thanking you, I am

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Mrs. Edna Murray.

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#### Rederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Instice

1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

July 14, 1937.

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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir: ,

Reference is made to letter from the Seattle Field Division, dated June 16, 1937, with which was transmitted a letter from Edna Murray, Jefferson City, Missouri, dated June 9, 1937, addressed to Mr. Raymond Suran, stating that she had not received a fee for appearing before the Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio. The letter from the Seattle Office requested that inquiry be made in an effort to obtain a fee for Edna Murray, if she is in fact entitled to such fee.

In compliance with this letter, Special Agent H. B. Dill contacted Assistant United States Attorney Jerome Curtiss in his office in the Federal Building. Mr. Curtiss stated that he knew of no reason why Edna Liuray should not receive her fee for having testified before the Federal Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio, in May 1937.

United States Deputy Marshal Earl McGraw was contacted with reference to this matter and he stated that there was some question as to whether or not Edna Murray should receive the fee, in view of the fact that she was a prisoner. He stated, however, that after considering the matter, it was concluded that Edna Murray was entitled to the fee, in view of the fact that she was a prisoner of the State of Missouri and not a Federal prisoner.

Mr. McGraw stated that on July 12, 1937, a check for \$12.00 was sent by the Marshal's Office at Cleveland, whio, to Edna Murray at Jefferson City, Missouri. A check of the 1937 records of the United States Marshal's Office at Cleveland, Ohio, indicated that a check for \$12.00, dated July 12, 1937,

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. CARUSI

I am returning herewith the suggested letter and other documents prepared by the Pardon Attorney for the signature of the Attorney General to the President persaining to the case of Anthony Labrizetta and Georga Sargent.

Bince this matter involved a postal robbery at Warren, Ohio, it was not the subject of any investigation conducted by this Bureau, and consequently, I do not feel that I should express any opinion or recommendation concerning the action to be taken upon the recommendation for executive clemency. I might state, however, that collateral investigation conducted by the Bureau for the purpose of causing the location and apprehension of the members of the Barker-Karpis Gang indicated that the Post Office Inspectors had secured the conviction of the wrong men in connection with this case. I repeat, however, that the Bureau did not conduct any investigation into the facts surrounding this robbery, and consequently, I do not consider it desirable for me to make any comment concerning the propriety of executive clemency.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

Enclosure #863963

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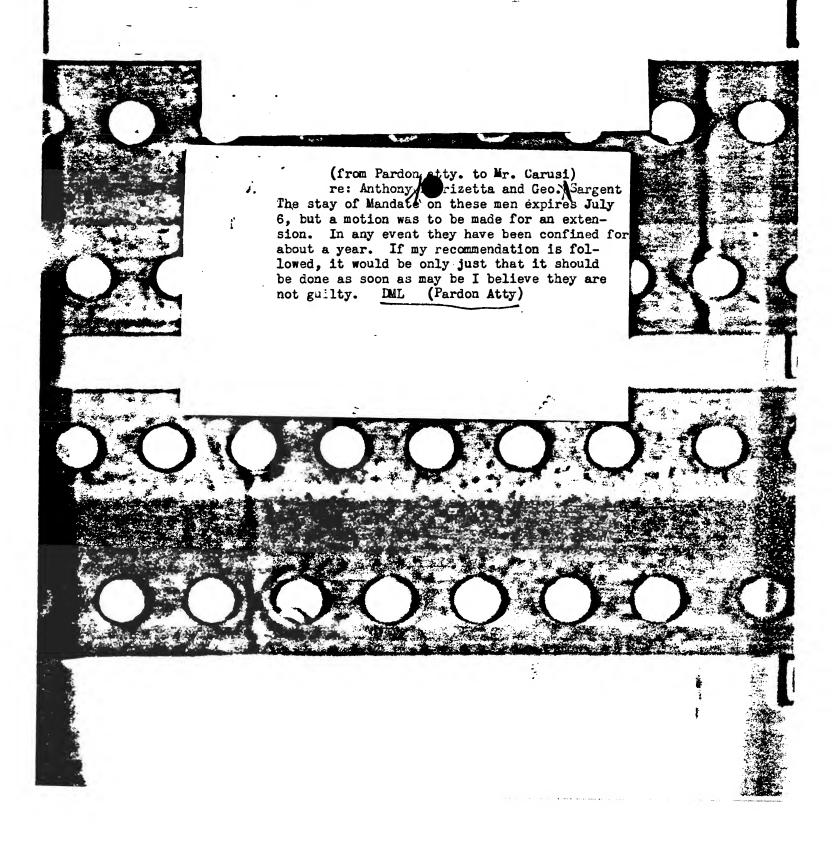
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On May 15, 1937 the Bureau instructed this office to discontinue all further investigation relative to obtaining additional specimens of the handwriting of Duke Randall. Therefore, the undeveloped lead set out for this office in reference report of Special Agent J. A. Murphy is being disregarded. The Bureau further instructed the Newark Division to personally contact the various individuals upon whom residential service of subpoena was made in instant case, for the purpose of ascertaining				
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Pursuant to request received from the Bureau this office communicated with U. S. Marshal at Trenton, New Jersey who immediately made personal service of subpoena on Harry Heller at Atlantic City, New Jersey on May 10, 1937. The Newark Field Division further communicated with Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal Snowden, Trenton, New Jersey, and requested him to endeavor to make personal service upon Samuel E. Morley of Atlantic City, New Jersey, in connection with the subpoena issued for his appearance in instant case.

Special Agent C. I. Lord was also instructed to assist the marshal in endeavoring to effect personal service upon Samuel B. Morley, and on May 22, 1937, Deputy Marshal Stanley Seaman accompanied by Special Agent C. I. Lord of this office made personal service upon Samuel E. Morley at Northfield, New Jersey in connection with the above case. This subpoena was handed personally to Mr. Morley by Deputy Seaman and Mr. Morley was also given a check to cover his expenses to Florida.

On May 17, 1937 the Bureau advised the Newark Office that the alleged handwriting specimens of Duke Randall which were forwarded by the Newark Office and received by the Bureau on May 10, 1937 had been concluded by the handwriting experts of the Bureau to be the handwriting of Duke Randall.

Inasmuch as there is no further investigation to be conducted in this division, this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

#### Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio

July 16, 1937

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.

BREKID Re:

Dear Sir:

Flease find enclosed herewith six copies of a communication dated July 15, 1937, addressed to the writer by Lr. John C. Cochrane, Attorney-at-Law, formerly attorney for Bert Angus, who was recently sentenced in the Brekid Harboring case in this district, wherein it will be noted that Bert Angus alleges that Special Agent E.J. Wynn made certain statements to him reflecting upon the professional reputation of his Attorney, Er. John C. Cochrane.

The word of the crooked gambler, Bert Augus, who time and again has lied to agents of this Eureau concerning his affiliation with the Marpis mob, seems to me to be not worthy of acceptance. However, since the letter indicates that the alleged statements were made in the presence of others", it is believed that a statement should be secured from Special Agent E.J. Mynn and other agents who were present at the time of the interview by Special Agent E.J. Wynn with Bert Angus.

Copies of this letter, with the enclosure, are being forwarded to the Little Rock, Arkansas, Atlanta, Georgia, and Cincinnati, Ohio, field divisions so that Special agents D.P. Sullivan, John Madala and J.S. Johnson can prepare appropriate memorandums in the premises.

Special Agent T.M. McDade of the Bureau also witnessed the statement of Bert Angus and he likewise should be requested to submit an appropriate memorandum.

A memorandum will be secured from Special Agent J.F. Durkin, Jr., of this division in the premises.

It is believed that Special Agents A. Dickstein and W.J. Devereux, whose whereabouts are unknown to the writer, should also be requested to submit their observations in the premises.

There is no doubt in the writer's mind but that this is a deliberate attempt to embarrass Special Agent E.J. Wynn because of the loyal, forceful and effective manner in which he handled the harboring investigation at Toledo, Ohio

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The Bureau's advice is respectfully solicited as to its desire in the matter of an immediate interview with Mr. Cochrane.

Very truly yours,

J.P. MacFARLAND, Special Agent in Charge

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Enclosures (6)
cc - Special Agent E.J. Wynn, c/o Inspector H.H. Clegg
Inspector E.J. Connelley, New York
Little Rock
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LAW OFFICES
FAREER & COCHRANE
838 to 844 Spitzer Building,
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Harold S. Green, L.A. Schrader July 15th, 1937

Special Agent in Charge of F.B.I., 1448 Standard Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. MacFarland:-

I am writing you at the suggestion of my friend, kr. Jerry Openlander, Assistant U.S. Attorney in charge of the Toledo office, who advises me that you are in charge of the operators of the FBI in this district.

I have heard in a round-about way on two or three occasions that operators of the FBI in connection with the harboring investigation recently conducted in and about Toledo, have made unfounded and unwarranted statements involving my professional integrity. In investigating these innuendoes I had occasion to interview r. Bert Angus at the County Jail yesterday afternoon. You will recall that r. Bert Angus is one of the defendants indicted recently by the Federal Grand Jury as an accessory after the fact in the Bremer kidnapping and also for harboring the participants in that crime. Incidentally, Ar. Bert Angus has recently pleaded guilty and is now waiting transmittal to federal penitentiary under sentence pronounced by Federal Judge Jones at Cleveland, last Monday.

Mr. Bert Angus, a former client of mine, stated that when he was arrested Sunday, May 23rd, 1937, he was immediately taken to the Federal Building in Toledo, Ohio, where he was questioned by one of your operators, namely, Mr. Wynn. That Mr. Wynn, in the presence of others, demanded to know whether or not Mr. Bert Angus was going to plead guilty to the indictment and stated, according to Mr. Bert Angus, that if he didn't he had better "get in touch with his cheap crooked lawyer, John Cochrane, and see if he (John Cochrane) couldn't arrange to bribe some witnesses as he (John Cochrane) had done for him in his (Bert Angus') bank robbery charge in Indiana".

The matter that Mr. Wynn allegedly referred to was my representation of Mr. Bert Angus while he was under indictment charged with robbing a Mendallville bank back in April of 1931. I was one of three attorneys in the case and was only involved in the case for a matter of eight days.

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witnesses had deliberately perjured himself. As a result of the matters and things I developed in my investigation of the case, the Prosecutor of Loble Jounty and the Assistant to the Indiana Attorney General's office recommended to the court that the indictment against Lr. Angus be nolled, which was done and at that time, in open court and privately, I was highly commended by the Judge, Prosecutor and the Assistant from the Indiana Attorney General's office for the manner in which I had handled the case. In fact, the Judge publicly told my client that it was a shame that he had spent so much time in jail waiting trial and, as a matter of fact, if he had retained me at the outset he no doubt would have been free long before the time this was accomplished. These facts are public records and are easily demonstrated from those records and from matters and things which I have retained in my file.

I have never had any personal contact with any of the operators of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. However, from the newspaper accounts of the activities of this Bureau I have gained the rather definite impression that your operators were trained men who kept their counsel until properly advised of the matters and things about which they spoke and that when they did speak it was advisedly and authoratively.

If as a matter of fact your Mr. Wynn actually made this statement attributed to him by Mr. Bert Angus, he did so either ignorantly or deliberately and maliciously, knowing that his statement was totally and entirely false. The Market Control of the Control

my professional reputation being questioned in the manner in which I have above set forth causes me to feel that I am entitled under the circumstances to a statement from your Mr. Wynn, denying Mr. Angus' charge, or, in the event the statement was made, his immediate retraction

Mr. Angus states that he is perfectly willing to give me an affidavit as to the foregoing facts, and if necessary, to face ir. Mynn with his charges.

I hope that you will agree with me that I cannot idly sit by and permit this matter to go unquestioned and anticipating the favor of an early reply, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly; the state of the s

/s/ John C. Cochrane,

John C. Cochrane.

# Rederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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July 26, 1937.

Time: 11:00 A.M.

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREWER KIDNAPING CASE

With reference to the attached letter from the Cleveland Office, dated July 16, 1937, which forwarded a letter of complaint from Attorney John C. Cochrane, regarding a purported statement made by Special Agent E. J. Wynn during the interview of Bert Angus in Toledo, I called Special Agent Ross at Cleveland advising him the Bureau has been furnished with signed statements by Agent Wynn and others denying Wynn ever made such statement.

Personal to Jour lastructions, I instructed Mr. Ross to contact Cochrane and tell him that immediately upon receipt of his complaint the Director had checked into the matter and ascertained the claimant Angus is absolutely without foundation, and as a matter of fact no such statement has been made by any one of this Bureau at any time.

E. A. TAMM.

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation

II. S. Bepartment of Justice

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg., Fansas City, Missouri July 17, 1937

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

On July 17th, 1937, I received a letter from C. B. Hockensmith, Assistant Hanager of the Hotel Virginia, Marshall, Missouri, in which he writes as follows:

"Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a letter which was returned to the hotel.

As this letter was marked "Return to Sender" and not recognizing the writing I took the privledge to open it to ascertain the sender. I thought that I might be able to return it to the proper owners. However after reading this letter I thought it best to send it direct to your department.

To the best of my imovlodge this is no address in this town as quoted in the letter.

It is possible if you test this for prints that you will discover mine on the extreme corners of the letter.

If at any future time I can be of any assistance to you concerning this I will be glad to assist. I haven't at the time of writing this letter recalled anyone of the physical description described, in case I do I will be glad to let you know. No one knows that I am sending this letter on or that it was ever returned.

Sincerely yours.

C. B. Hockensmith Asst. Mgr."

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The letter he enclosed is written in longhand on three pages of stationery of the Gay-Teague Hotel, Montgomery, Alabama, and is not dated. The letter in question is addressed to J. E. Day, Eurlington Junction, Missouri, on an envelope of the New Virginia Hotel, Marshall, Missouri, no return address, bearing a Dallas, Texas postmark July 9th, 1937, 12:30 P. M., and on which there is an air mail stamp. The letter in question is furnished the Bureau in cellophane and is as follows:

"Thursday

Dear Sam -

Have wondered where you were - I am so sick mentally & physically I can hardly sit here & write. They got Harry today one week ago - He's in for it sure - He's in Alabama -Ray too - But Harry is taking the rap - I don't know very much - no communication, very brief outline - Ray (or Roy) should be out soon - I can't help Harry one bit - He doesn't want me too - I am nearly crazy - I will need some personal financial help, to carry on - Just a few dollars each mo, will save a few things maybe - I will let you hear more later" Am over home - Will have to work as soon as Im over the schock - Nama & I alone & frantic - I think Roy is safe soon - God pity Harry. He's taking it "standing up" tho like a man - He's worried about me - & my health I have to carry on - The home place car & Diamond if in my power -Harrys Mother refused to help him in the least - Keep in close touch with me - I dont know what I may have to do -The car may have to be brought back from Alabama - Their clothes are in Bham too. G. Men got Harry "C" & will keep on & on - trying to fasten something on him - he knows what he is in for - so do I it will be a session - Please let me hear all about yourself & what you are doing - I am very ill right now. Love

Sis -2431 - Hyers St -

It is to be noted that there is an address on the last page of the letter, 2431 Myers Street, no city mentioned, but in view of the fact that the letter is mailed at Dallas, it is presumed that the Myers address is in Dallas, Texas.

No requests for any investigation are set out.

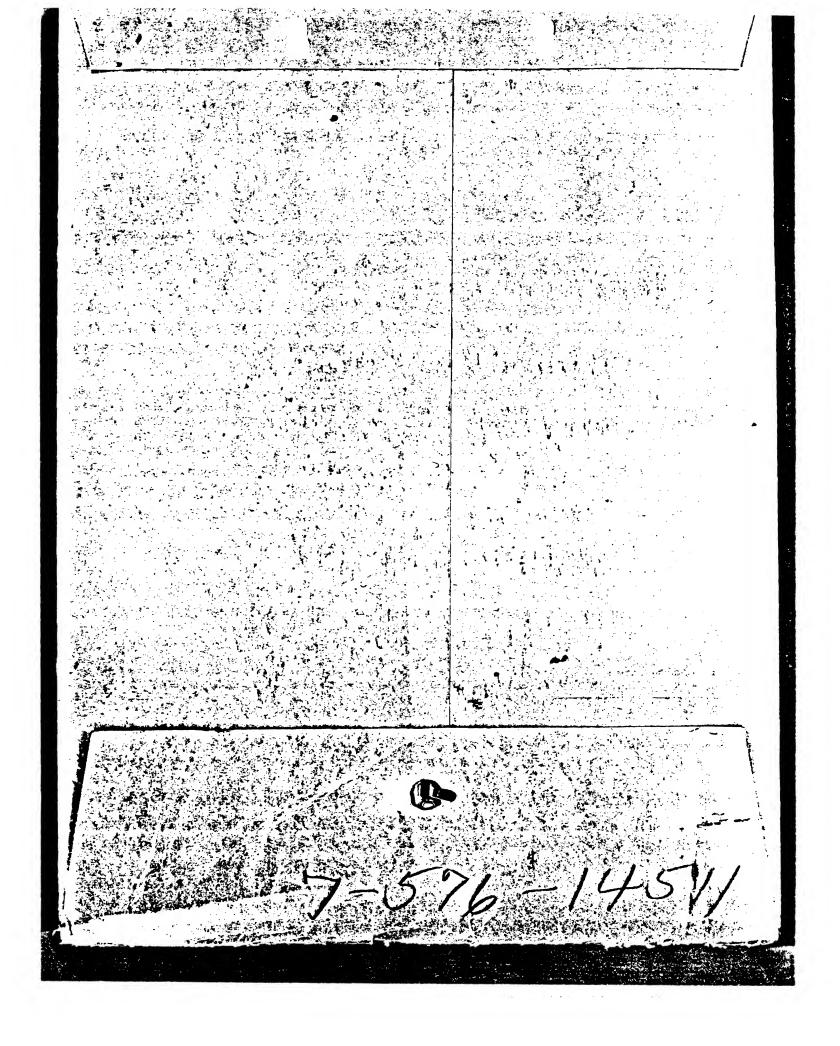
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Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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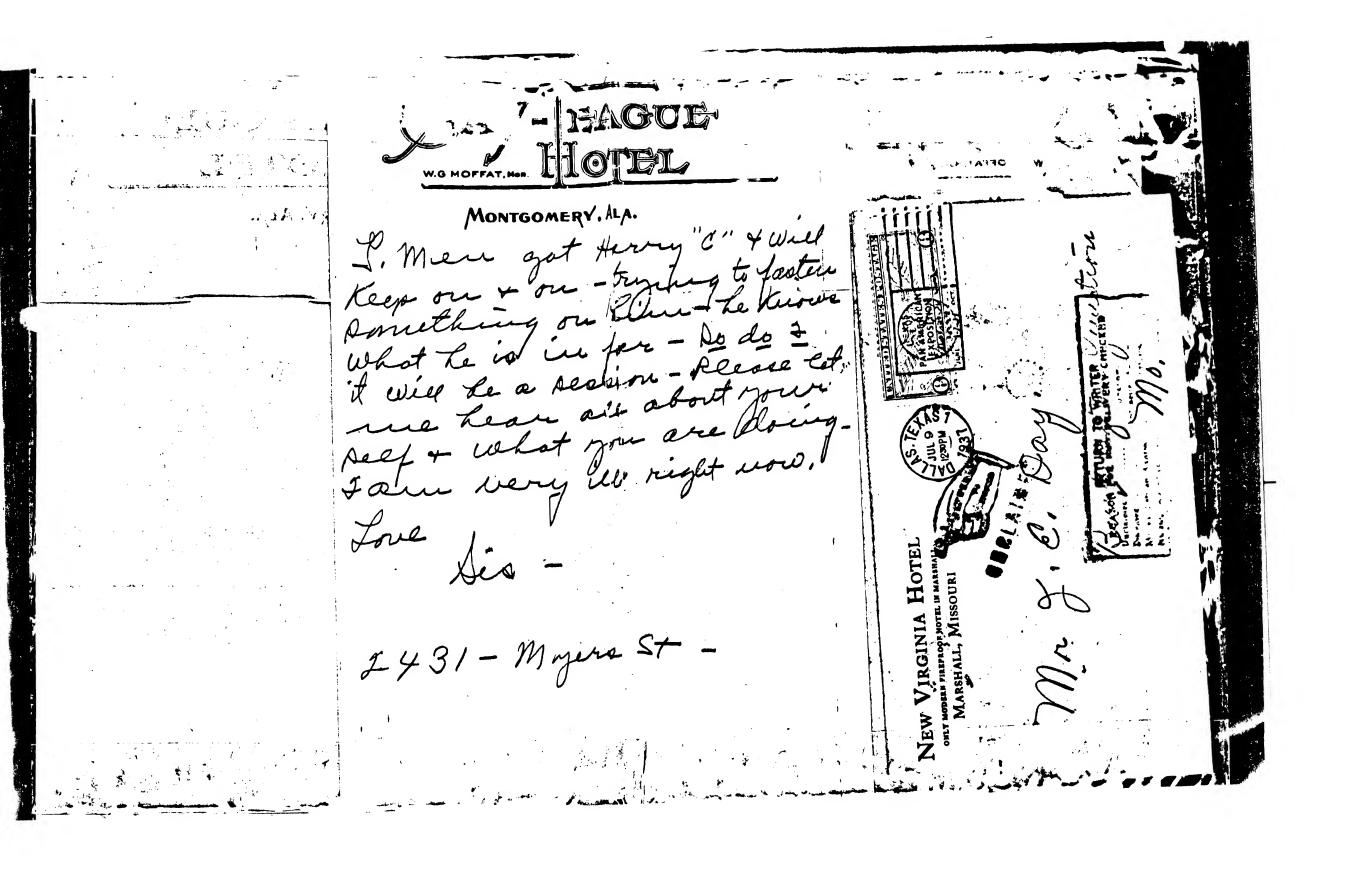
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Special Agent in Charge, Birmingham, Alabamae

Dear Sire

### Res BREKID

For your general information there is enclosed a copy of a letter received by the Bureau from the Kansas City office dated July 17, 1937, in which is incorporated a letter addressed to an individual as "Dear Eam", which apparently has reference to some individual who has recently been taken into custody by Bureau Agents in Alabama.

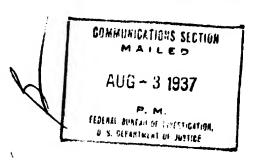
Due to the vague information contained in this letter it does not appear to require any action unless Sam can be identified with some case pending in your district.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover. Diroctor.

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation

AL S. Department of Justice

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607 U. S. Court House Foley Square New York, N. Y.

July 17, 1937

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to herboring indictments returned at Toledo, Ohio, as to the various subjects, some of whom have already pleaded guilty to the charges concerned.

At this time I believe consideration should be given to the desirability of discontinuing the search for Benson Groves, with aliases. Unless advised to the contrary, the Cleveland Office will suspend any further inquiry as to Benson Groves and also have any other offices in which leads are pending as to him also suspend their efforts as to this. Inasmuch as the United States Attorney has indicated that he will not include him in the harboring indictments it is believed that the location of Benson Groves is entirely a matter for the Post Office Inspectors and I believe our/continued efforts on him when we have no interest in his location will serve to bolster up the ineffectual efforts of the Post Office Inspectors on this case. Of course, they are not appreciative of any efforts we might make to assist them in this, and I believe the problem should be left to them. As is known, he is indicted in the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery of November 7, 1935, a Post Office case RECORDED & INDEXED

With reference to the inquiry we have been making as to the location of Milton Lett, it is to be noted that the United States Attorney at Toledo, Ohio, declined to include him in the harboring indictments as to the harboring of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. Milton Lett would be of particular value to us if he had been available and would have furnished us with the details of the associations of the fugitives with the parties

Hebebrand and Gorman have already pleaded guilty and it is believed that we have sufficient evidence available to convict Amersbach when he is apprehended. Therefore, it is not believed that any useful purpose will be served by a long lengthy effort to cause the location of Milton Lett, it being doubtful if we could hold him on any charge. The Post Office Inspectors, of course, are still looking for this individual, judging from their efforts which have crossed our efforts to locate him and I believe this should be left to them and that we should suspend our effort as to hilton Lett.

Unless advised to the contrary, the Cleveland Office will make arrangements to suspend the work as to hilton Lett and the leads pending elsewhere as to him.

Very truly yours,

Inspector.

cc Cleveland

cc Cincinnati

cc Chicago

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RECOUNTY SOP.

Special Agent in Charge, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. \$1232, et al;
EDMARD GEORGE BREMER,
VICTIM - KIMAPING;
HAMBORING PUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sire

In the course of the investigation which is now in progress at Not Springs, Arkansas concerning the above entitled matter information has been received which indicates that Milton Lett was with Karpis, Campbell and Fred Munter at least during part of their stay there.

As the apprehension of Lett undoubtedly will aid materially in this investigation, the offices receiving copies of this letter are requested to immediately review their files concerning Lett with a view of initiating investigation in the immediate future to effect Lett's apprehension.

It is desired that this matter receive preferred and vigorous attention so that Latt's apprehension may be effected at an early date.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director,

Little Rock of 1951.65
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Mr. E. J. Commelley, Federal Bureau of Investigation, V. B. Department of Justice, 607 V. S. Court Mouse, Foley Square, New York, New York.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY;
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#### Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your communication deted July 17, 1937, relative to the discontinuing of investigation to locate Benson Groves and Milton Lett.

The Bureau is in accord with your suggestion that further investigation to locate Benson Groves should be discontinued and the Cleveland Office is hereby requested to advise the offices where there are outstanding leads to locate Groves in the premises.

With reference to the status of Milton Lett, information has been received which indicates that Lett was with Karpis and Campbell at least during part of their stay at Not Eprings, Arkansas. In view of this fact the Bursau believes that continued efforts should be used to locate Lett in connection with the investigation that is in progress at Not Eprings, and the interested offices are being requested in a separate communication to review their files and institute a vigorous investigation to affect Lett's appreciation.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Special Agent in Charge, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Dear Sirs

The Bureau desires that your office submit complete information concerning subject Anthony Amerbach, in order that an identification order can be issued.

In this connection, the Bureau desires that Amerbach's criminal record be completed. The following information should be obtained concerning each arrest; name of the arresting agency; name under which subject was arrested; number assigned to him; date; charge; and disposition. If he was incercereted in an institution, the following information should be determined: name under which he was incarcerated; date he was received; crime; sentence; and date and manner of his release.

A complete list of the relatives of Amerbach, whose addresses have been checked within the past three months, should be furnished the Bureau.

This information should be furnished the Bureau within the next ten days; ENCL RECORDED

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Special Agent in Charge Cleveland, Ohio

RE: BREKIE

Dear Sire

Please forward to the Little Rock Field
Division copies of reports which have not previously
been designated for this Field Division, which contain
the results of investigation conducted at the ManningMarino Motor Company at Youngstown, Ohio, relative to
the purchase of automobiles from that concern by members
of the Barker-Karpis gang during the year 1955,
including the comprehensive investigation which was
conducted at the Manning-Marino Motor Company by Special
Agent E. J. Dodd.

I would also like to have copies of reports which have not previously been designated for the Little Rock Field Division, which cover the various interviews had with Clayton Hall.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMON FLETCHER Special Agent in Charge

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## **Federal Bureau of Investigation** United States Department of Justice Washington, A. C.

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July 21, 1937.

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

For the information of the file, Fred Heinter, on April 7, 1937, was sentenced to serve twenty-five years in connection with the mail robbery a Garrettsville, Ohio, and is presently serving a sentence at Alcatraz Prison, California. John Brock is presently incarcerated in the Cuyahoga County Jail, Cleveland, Ohio, where he is being held pending the disposition of the harboring cases at Cleveland and Toledo. He has pleaded guilty to charges of mail robbery in connection with the Garrettsville case, but has not yet been sentenced. Brock is totally blind in one eye and has only 7% vision in the other eye, and it is reported that he is fast losing this vision.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

ILIO:ERLI 7-576 Tederal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Instice
Washington, D. C.

July 9, 1937.

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Re: Request of United States Attorney Freed that Agent Madala proceed to Mami for Interviews with Wynone Burdette and Dolores Delaney.

The matter of Agent Madela proceeding to Miami, Florida, to interview Mynone Burdette and Dolores Delaney was first called to the attention of the Bureau on May 28, 1937 through a telephone call to the Director by Mr. McMahon, as is recorded in the Director's me brandum to you of that date. In. McMahon at that time stated that Mr. Freed said Agent Madela has a good deal of influence with Mynone Burdette and suggested that Madela might proceed to Miami by plane and have a talk with her. Mr. McMahon was advised during this conversation that arrangements would be made for Madela to proceed to Miami as soon as possible.

You later called Agent McKee at Cleveland on the same date concerning the action of Mr. Freed in calling the Department and demanding that Madala be sent down to Miami to interview Wynona Burdette without consulting with the Bureau. During this conversation Agent McKee stated that he does not know how Freed came to pick out Madala to handle this situation in the manner in which he did other than that he probably found Madala's name on some of the reports. It was suggested that possibly Madala may have been "cutting some corners" in picking out this trip, but Agent McKee stated that he does not think so for the reason that Madala was already under subpoena to proceed to Miami inconnection with the dams case. In compliance with previous arrangements, Madala proceeded by plane to Miami on the morning of May 29, 1937 and apparently interviewed Dolores Delaney and Mynona Burdette, although the file does not disclose the results of said interviews.

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On May 31, Mr. Parrish communicated with you with reference to the removal of Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette from Florida to Toledo, Ohio, and he inquired as to whether the Bureau would authorize Agent Madala, assuming that he was still in Florida, to proceed back to Toledo with the two girls in the same airplane and talk to them en route. This suggestion was not authorized and apparently Madala returned to Toledo in another plane.

The above comprises practically all of the information in the file concerning this matter.

Respectfully.

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## Tederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Instice Washington, D. C.

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July 19, 1937.

Time - 2:30 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

## RE: BREKID

While talking to Mr. McGuire of the Department on another matter he advised that he received the memorandum on the Adams Randall situation in Florida relative to the violation of the National Firearms Act but wants to go over it thoroughly with Mr. Keenan before he sends a memorandum to the Bureau on same.

Respectfully,

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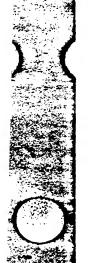
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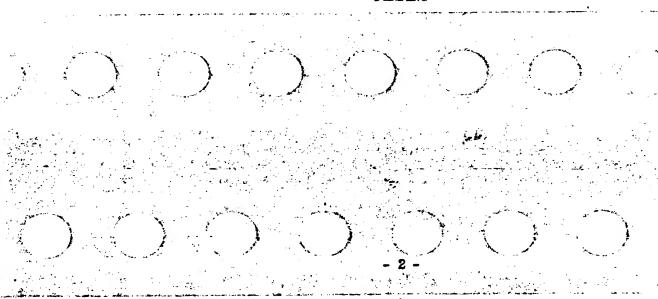
Chief Deputy Larshal John J. Wein at Cleveland, Chio, advised agent that Theodore and Dert Angus and Edward Lograw were to be confined in Leavenworth, Kansas. However, he was unable to advise at the present time as to the institution in which Clara McGraw and Edith Barry would be incarcerated inasmuch as instructions would have to be obtained from the Attorney General before they were committed.

#### AT TOLEDO, OHIO

Special Agent W.P. Ellwood checked docket #7960 in the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court at Toledo and it was noted that all the above sentences had been entered in the Clerk's docket and certified copies and orders of sentences delivered to the United States Marshal and commitments for the above named defendants were also issued to the U.S. Marshal on July 12, 1937. Docket 37360 likewise revealed that on June 30, 1937, the sentences of John forman and arthur Webebrand were entered in the docket and commitment papers issued to the U.S. Marshal for the above named individuals on the same date.

Disposition sheet is attached and parole reports are being submitted to the Bureau.

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### UNITED STATES DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 2 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCIAMIATI, CHIO Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1 REPORT MADE AT DATE WHEN MADE: PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/17/37 CLYDE E. SLITH DAS/LIT Cleveland, Chio 7/16/37 NAME OF ONVICT: EDITH BARRY, alias Edith PAROLE Decker, alias Edith Frobst nine of case: ALVIN FAR IS, with aliases; DR. JOSH H P. LORAN, with KIDNAFING: HARBORING OF FUGITIVES: aliases-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL ANTHONY J. OA TERSHACH, with aliases FIREARLS ACT FUGITIVE; et al; Edward George Bremer-Victim On January 17, 1934, members of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang, including Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Fred Barker. Harry Campbell, Volney Davis and William Weaver, at St. Paul, Minnesota, kidnaped Edward George Bremer, a wealthy banker, and transported him in interstate commerce to Bensenville, Illinois, where he was held pending ransom negotiations and finally released on February 7, 1934, after the payment of \$200,000.00. Following the release of Edward George Bremer various members of the Barkermarpis gang proceeded to toledo, Ohio, and during their stay there frequented the nouse of prostitution operated by Edith Parry, and later in January of 1935, after the escape of warpis and Januabell from a trap at atlantic city, new Jersey, proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, where they, Karpis and Campbell, eventually found haven in the house of prostitution operated by Edith Barry. On June 10, 1937, a Federal Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio, indicted Edith Barry and others on three counts, the said indictment charging Edith Barry and the other named defendants as accessories after the fact to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, conspiring as accessories after the fact to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer and conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, knowing these individuals to be fugitives from justice, wanted by the Government for the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer. On July 12, 1937, in the U.S. District Court of Cleveland, Chio, before Federal Judge Paul Jones, Edith Barry entered a plea of guilty to the entire DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES RECORDED AND INDEXED: JUL 22 1937 CHECKED OFF: COPIES OF THIS REPORT PURNISHED TO: - Bureau - Cincinnati JACKETED: 1 -/ Chicago

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indictment and was sentenced on the same day by Juige Jones to serve two years in a United States ponitentiary to be designated by the Attorney General and fined 4500.00.

## AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES

For the past fifteen years Edith Barry has been operating a notorious house of prostitution at 524 Southard Street in Toledo, Onio. Her resort has catered to persons maintaining high positions in both the political and social life of Toledo, as well as such individuals as Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and other members of the Marpis-Barker mob. During the time she has operated this house of prostitution numerous young women have resided in her home, where at the Barry woman's direction they have engaged in a life of prostitution and were required to pay convict Barry a large percentage of their illicit earnings. Following the escape of Karpis and Campbell from Atlantic City, New Jersey, in January of 1935, when they shot their way out of a police trap at the Darmore Hotel, they were furnished a haven of refuge in the Earry woman's house of prostitution, and were also furnished with food and drinks during the period they remained in her home. There are no mitigating circumstances in this case. e de la composición O la composición de la composición de

#### PARSONAL HISTORY

Edith Barry is a United States citizen, having been born at Port Huron, Michigan, on May 8, 1889, and is presently 48 years of age, and a widow. She has no children. She has a mother, Rose Decker, residing at Sacramento, California, and one brother, George Decker, residing at Palo Alto, California. Edith Barry was well-known in Toledo and was the operator of an exclusive house of prostitution which she maintained at her home, 524 Southard Street. In so far as is known Edith Barry has no criminal record.

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#### AGGRAVATING CIRCULSTANCES

Edward McGraw in collusion with his wife, Clera McGraw, defendant in instant case, arranged the meeting between Marry Campbell and Gertrude Billeter, which resulted in their marriage. Edward LcGraw for the purpose of assisting marry Campbell in marrying Gertrude Billeter, who did not know Campbell's true identity, secured the services of one Jack Livingston to pose as Gertrude Billeter's uncle in order that the provisions of the State law requiring five days to lapse between the securing of the marriage license and the ceremony, might be circumvented.

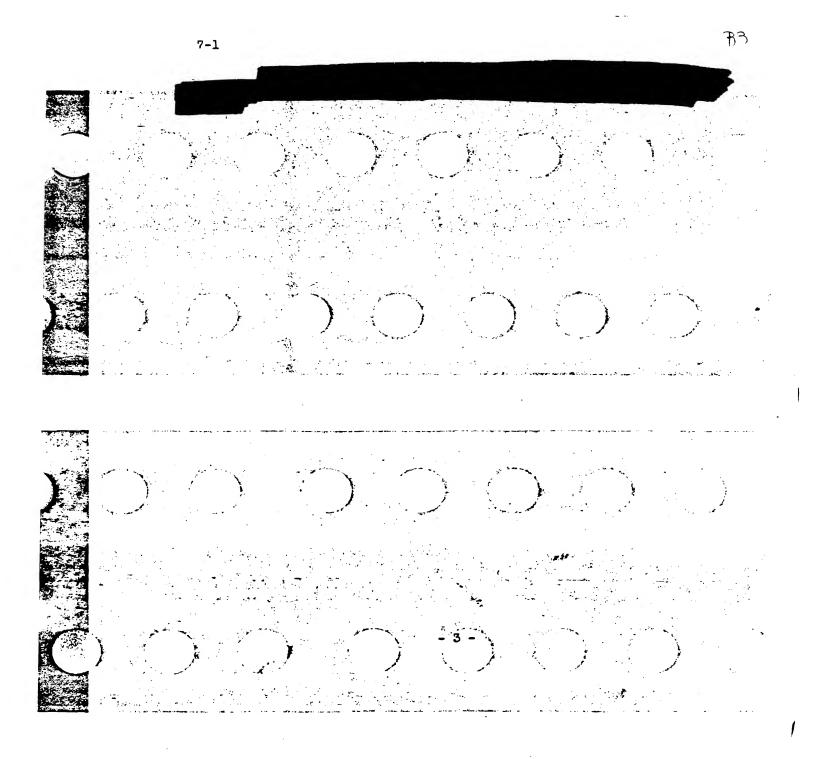
There are no mitigating circumstances in this case.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

Edward ...c raw is 51 years of age and a citizen of the United States, having been born in Horcester, Massachusetts in 1860. Approximately 33 or 34 years ago he moved to the city of Toledo and in 1919 married Clara ic raw and has resided with her ever since and at the time of his conviction was residing with her at 2011 Adams Street, Toledo, Chio. He is of the white race and has no children. He has a sister, Mrs. Eleanor Davis, residing at the Dunscomb Hotel, Toledo, Chio, and one brother, Thomas ic Graw, the manager of a clothing store in Dayton, Chio.

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The following is the criminal record of Edward McGraw, as contained in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under FBI #110771:



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Bert Angus, who at one time was a bootlegging partner of William Harrison, a minor member of the Barker-Karpis mob, in Calumet City, Illinois, and his brother, Theodore angus, operated since approximately 1931 a notorious night club situated on the outskirts of Toledo, known as the Casino Club, the Club being the rendezvous to a certain extent of the criminal element at Toledo. During January 1935 Karpis and Campbell shot their way out of a trap at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and proceeded directly to the Casino Club, where convict Bert Angus was contacted by them and he, being aware of their true identity and also aware of the fact that they were fugitives from justice and wanted by the U.S. Government, failed to call either the local law enforcement agencies or the Federal bureau of Investigation in order to cause their apprehension.

There are no mitigating circumstances in this case.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

bert Angus is 45 years of age and a citizen of the United States, having been born at Fenton, michigan, on October 7, 1892, Approximately four years ago he married Madeline Holst, having been divorced from his first wife. He is white and has three children: Irene, Bert and Joseph Angus, all of whom reside with his wife madeline at 2020 Monroe Avenue, Toledo, Chio.

The following is the criminal record of Bert Angus, as - contained in the records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Bert Angus also admits having been arrested by the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department in 1925 on a charge of bootlegging and fined \$100.00 and costs. Convict Angus also admits an arrest for bootlegging in 1929 by the Toledo, Ohio, Police Department, on which charge he was released.

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time members of the mob remained in Toledo, Chio, Theodore Angus furnished his speedboat, known as the "Hay Bag", to arthur R. "Doc" barner for barker's transportation and amusement, and during October of 1934 Theodore Angus at the instance and request of Harry Campbell and with the assistance of Ruth Evelyn Wells, paramour of Theodore Angus, made a payment to Dr. Fred M. Douglas for medical services performed upon Tynona Burdette, the paramour of Harry Campbell. Theodore angus, during the summer of 1934, in collusion with his brother, Bert Angus, provided storage space for the furniture and

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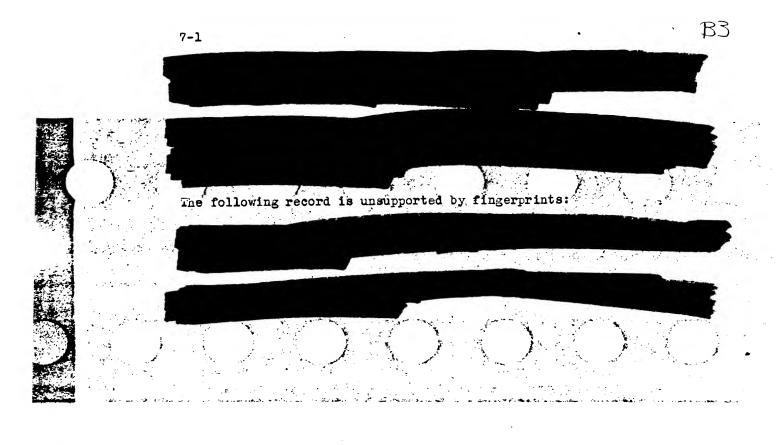
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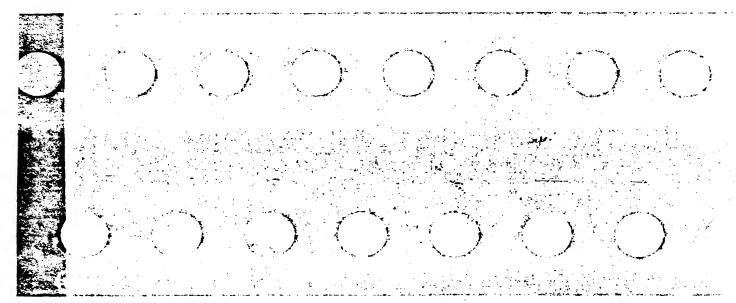
Theodore Angus came to Toledo, Ohio, several years ago from the state of Michigan and since his residence in the City of Toledo, has been engaged with his brother, Bert Angus, in the operation of roadhouses and gambling establishments in Toledo and Foint Place, Ohio. He is a well known figure in the underworld of Toledo, Ohio. Theodore Angus has for several years lived in the state of adultery with Ruth Wells and it was through her at Theodore Angus' insistence that it was made possible for Harry Campbell to secure medical services for his paramour, Wynona Burdette, at a hospital in Toledo, Ohio, without danger of that fact becoming known. There are no mitigating circumstances in this case.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

Theodore Angus is 49 years of age, a United States citizen, having been born at Fenton, Michigan, on March 17, 1888, is single and has no children. He has a sister, Millie Angus, residing at Lansing, Michigan, and a sister, Althere Angus, residing at Fenton, Michigan, as well as a brother, Bert Angus, who is a defendant in instant case.

The following is the criminal record of Theodore Angus, as contained in the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, under FBI #226312:





UNITED STATES DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION Form No. 2 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCIPLATI, OHIO Cleveland FILE NO. 7-1 REPORT MADE AT: DATE WHEN MADE: PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: Cleveland, Ohio 7/17/37 7/16/37 CLYDE E. SAITH CES/IRL NAME OF CONVICT CLAFA MCGRAW TITLE OF CASE ALVIN KAPPIS, with aliases; VIOLATION: DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases—
FUGITIVE, 1.0. #1232; A THONY J. KIDNAPING. HARBORING OF FUGITIVES: CBSTEUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL AMERSBACH, with aliases-AUGITIVE; et al; Edward George Bremer-Victim FIREAR S ACT : 3 On January 17, 1934 members of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang, including Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. "Doc" Barker, Fred Barker, Harry Campbell, Volney Davis and William Weaver, at St. Paul, Minnesota, kidnaped Edward George Brener, a wealthy banker, and transported him in interstate commerce to Bensenville, Illinois, where he was held pending ransom negotiations, and finally released him on February 7, 1934, after the payment of 200,000.00. Following the release of Edward George Bremer various members of the Barker-Karpis gang proceeded to Toledo, Ohio, and then in the fall of 1934 moved to Cleveland, Ohio. Through their contacts at Toledo, Ohio, Harry Campbell became acquainted with Clara and Edward mcGraw and during the month of May 1935 Harry Campbell secured lodging in the rooming house operated by Clara and -dward LcGraw. During the time he was residing in the LeGraw house Clara LeGraw introduced Harry Campbell to one Gertrude Billeter as Bob Brown, her cousin, and also advised Gertrude Billeter that Campbell was a road contractor. Clara

to be fugitives from justice and wanted by the Government for the kidnaping of Edward George Breiner.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

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McGraw further permitted during November 1935 Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, John Brock and one Benson Groves to use this rooming house as a place of meeting. On June 10, 1937, a Federal Grand Jury at Toledo, Ohio, returned an indictment containing three counts against Clara acGraw and others, said indictment charging Clara acGraw and the other named defendants as accessories after the fact to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, conspiring as accessories after the fact to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, conspiracy to harbor Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, knowing these individuals

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On July 12, 1937, the U.S. District Court at Cleveland, Chic, before Honorable Faul Jones, Judge, Clara McGraw entered a plea of guilty to the entire indictment and was seltenced on July 12, 1937, to serve two years in U.S. Federal penitentiary to be designated by the Attorney General and fined \$500.00.

#### AGGRAVATING CIRCULSTANCES

clara McGraw in company with her husband Edward McGraw V operated a rooming house at 2011 adams Street, Toledo, Onio, the rooms of which were on occasion used as a place of assignation of various individuals. Clara addraw for the purpose of concealing the identity of Marry Campbell, notorious criminal, the partner of Alvin Marpis, introduced him to Gertrude Billeter as Bob Brown, a road contractor, and her cousin, which meeting ultimately led to the marriage of Campbell and Gertrude Billeter, the girl being unaware of Campbell's true identity.

There are no mitigating circumstances in this case.

#### PERSONAL HISTORY

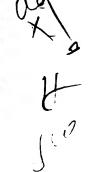
Clara McGraw is 42 years of age, a citizen of the United States, having been born at Toledo, Chio, January 18, 1895, and is married to Edward -cGraw, a defendant in instant case. She has resided with Edward -cGraw in Toledo, Chio, since 1919, when she married him. She is of the white race and has no children. Clara -cGraw has no known criminal record.

## Mederal Bureau of Investigation AL S. Bepartment of Justice

1130 Enquirer Building Cincinnati, Ohio.

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July 21, 1937.



Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the letter from the Cleveland Office with enclosure dated July 16, 1937, involving a complaint made by Attorney John C. Cochrane of Toledo, Ohio, I am attaching copies of a memorandum furnished by Special Agent Joseph S. Johnson in the premises, to the Bureau, Cleveland Office, and Inspector Connelley.

Very truly yours,

H. D. HARRIS,

Special Agent in Charge.

CC Cleveland Inspector Connelley.

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MEMORANDUM:

#### Re: BREKID

In connection with a complaint made by Attorney John C. Cochrane of Toledo, Ohio, to the effect that Special Agent E. J. Wynn cast reflections on the former's reputation, etc., the undersigned can only state that he overheard no such remarks as detailed in letter from the Cleveland Office with enclosure dated July 16, 1937.

As a matter of fact, the time of the under-signed Agent at Toledo was devoted almost wholly to Ted Angus.

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH S. JOHNSON, Special Agent.

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Special Agent in Charge, Cleveland, Ohio

Be: BREKID

Dear Siri

Reference is made to your letter dated July 16, 1937, addressed to the Bureau, in which you inform that it is necessary that Special Agent John L. Madela prepare an appropriate memorandum in connection with certain statements of Bertlingus.

At the present time Agent Madala is on special assignment in the Little Rock Division. I have transmitted the information you forwarded to this Division for his attention and have instructed him to promptly prepare the memorandum and forward the same to your Division.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Bureau V Little Rock

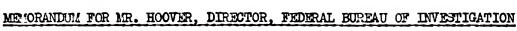
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## Department of Justice Washington

July 20, 1937.



Re: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim; KID-NAPING. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE. HARBORING OF FUGITIVES. NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

On July 3 you called attention to the fact that voucher in the sum of \$258.23, covering expenses incurred in transporting Edna Murray from Jefferson City, Missouri to St. Paul, Minnesota, on July 6, 1936, had not been paid. Upon inquiring at the General Accounting Office, we find that this voucher was certified for payment in full and sent to the United States Marshal at St. Paul, Minnesota on July 2, for payment.

Joseph B. Teenen,

The Assistant to the Attorney General.

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Special Agent in Charge, Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY;

DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliabes, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1232, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
VICTIM - KILHAPING MARBORING FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE MATIONAL FIREARYS ACT.

Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your communication dated June 18, 1937, enclosing copies of a letter addressed to you by the Warden of the Missouri State Penitentiary, dated June 16, 1937, with reference to the Warden's inability to obtain payment of a voucher in the amount of \$258.23 incurred in transporting Edna Murray from Jefferson City, Missouri to St. Paul, Minnesota on July 6, 1936, as a Government witness in the trial of Alvin Karpis for the kidnsping of Edward George Bremer.

Please be advised that this matter was called to the attention of the Department, and on July 20, 1937, the Bureau received a memorandum from Mr. Joseph B. Keenan, The Assistant to the Attorney General, which advised that this woucher was certified for payment in full and sent to the United States Marshal at St. Paul, Minnesota on July 2, 1937 for payment.

It is suggested that you may desire to advise the Warden of the action taken by the Bureau and of the reply received from the Department.

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FEDERAL PRINCES OF INTESTIGATION U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Ret BREKID -Entering of Statistics in Kidnaping Book

The question has arisen as to whether the directed verdicts of acquittal, recently granted Joe Adams and Duke Randall with reference to the harboring charges at Miami, Florida should be entered as statistics in the kidnaping book.

It is the writer's opinion that these acquittals should not be shown as kidnaping statistics in so far as this book is concerned for the reason that the harboring statute is in no way related to the Federal kidnaping statute. It is the writer's understanding that the purpose of this book is to give the Bureau a clear picture of our kidnaping prosecutions, and that being the case it would appear that to enter acquittals on harboring charges in this book would not fulfill its purpose. To include harboring statistics in this book would bring up the question as to whether statistics pertaining to any other collateral issues during the trial of a kidnaping case should be entered such as statistics on prosecution for obstruction of justice, the intimidation of witnesses, perjury or any other collateral issue which might arise during the course of a trial of a kidnaping case.

I believe that the statistics referred to herein should apply strictly to kidnaping indictments or indictments bused upon the kidnaping statute such as indictments charging accessory after the fact of kidnaping, examples of which were recently returned at Toledo, Ohio in the Brekid case. The Toledo cases can be distinguished from the Joe Adams case in that the indictment actually charged the subjects with being accessories after the fact of kidnaping, and the statistics relating thereto should be included in this book.

I do believe, however, that the results of the harboring cases in kidnaping investigations and also in any other collateral investigation and prosecution with reference to kidnaping cases should be included

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in the narrative. The subjects of these cases can also be shown on the statistical page preceding the narrative with a proper notation at the bottom of the page, indicating through an asteriak, that that particular individual was prosecuted for harboring, perjury or whatever the prosecution might have been and that the statistics therefor are not being recorded in the fore part of the book.

I am withholding entering the directed verdicts in the Adams case as kidnaping statistics in this book pending your advice in this matter. Of course, this only applies to the kidnaping book and does not affect the situation so far as the reporting of the statistics to the Chief Clerk is concerned.

Respectfully,

L. M. Chipman

July 15, 1937.

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The Executive Conference considered the question of whether individuals prosecuted upon charges of harboring in connection with kidneping cases should be included in the kidnaping statustics which are maintained. The Conference was of the unanimous opinion that such statistics should be included in the kidnaping statistics.

If you approve this recommendation, these figures will be included. Those in attendance were Messrs. Nathan, Tolson, Clegg, Quinn and Tamm.

> Respectfully, For the Conference,

CLYDE TOLSON, Chairman.

T. D. QUINE, Secretary.

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Special Agent in Charge, Los Angeles, Celifornia.

RE: BREXID

Dear Bire

Reference is made to a letter from this office dated June 15th, 1937, and report of Special Agent S. B. Landrum, Kansas City, Kissouri, dated June 19th, 1937, requesting your office to donduct investigation at Long Beach, Celifornia for the purpose of determining whether or not Milton Lett is residing there with one Lyn orden.

Joe Bauml, Sheriff, Sedgwick County, Fichita, Kansas, has informed this office that Lyn Jordan's sister at Wichita, Kensas received a letter on July 21st, 1937, which letter bore the return address of A. M. Williems, 3519 Cedar Avenue, Lynwood, Celifornia. The Sheriff is of the opinion that A. E. Villiams is an alias for Lyn Jordan. Therefore, it is requested that your office conduct investigation at 3519 Cedar Avenue, Lynwood California for the purpose of determining if A. M. Fillians is Lyn Jordan, and if so, he should be questioned concerning the present whereabouts of Kilton Lett.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY. Special Agent in Charge

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0-13-6	7	DETAILS: A letter dated July 6, 1937, was received from Kenneth R.  Perry, now using the name Richard K. Perry, stating that his present  address is Washburn, Illinois, where he is employed by the Illinois							
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		He said that Collins thought himself quite a big shot and boasted of knowing all the criminal element around Wichita, Kansas. Perry said							
			he could not remember any of the names ever mentioned by Collins, as he had never had a lengthy or detailed conversation with him at any time.						
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When asked whether he ever heard Collins speak about Milton Lett or any of the aliases of Lett, Perry said that he was certain he had never heard mention of him, and he, himself, did not know Lett and had never heard of him in any manner. Perry explained that he had only been in Kansas on one occasion, and that was for about three months during the latter part of 1932, immediately prior to the time he was arrested for a robbery at Paola, Kansas, and that he had not been in Wichita, Kansas, and knew no person who lived there other than Clifford Collins.

Perry was asked if he knew of anyone named "Babe" who had been in the Reformatory at the same time, and he said he did not recall anyone with that nickname. However, when shown the photograph of "Babe", referred to in reference report of Special Agent S. B. Landrum, he immediately identified it as being that of Marvin Sullivan. Perry said that Sullivan had not lived in the same quarters at the Reformatory, but he became rather friendly with him as a result of working in the Reformatory barber shop. Perry said Sullivan had a badly diseased face, and he gave him treatments in the barber shop. Perry said that he had never corresponded with Sullivan, and did not know he was released from the Reformatory.

Perry said that he and Sullivan had exchanged photographs while in the Reformatory, and had also exchanged photographs with Collins, but the Reformatory numbers were not on the photographs. Perry said he did not know how Sullivan got a photograph with the Reformatory numbers on it, except that if you knew someone who worked in the office you could get anything you wanted.

Perry said that he would be glad to assist in obtaining information about Milton Lett from Clifford Collins, but he felt that since Collins had not replied to his letter, and since he had never known Milton Lett, he felt that Collins would immediately suspect that there was some ulterior purpose in making an inquiry of him.

Perry said that his future address may be obtained from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Perry, Versailles, Illinois, or by discreetly contacting his immediate employer, R. T. Reyburn, Division Engineer, Illinois Commercial Telephone Company, Kewanee, Illinois.

The photograph of Kenneth R. Perry and that of "Babe", received with the report of Special Agent S. B. Landrum are being returned with copies of this report to the Kansas City Office.

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

2401 Sterick Building, Memphis, Tennessee, July 23, 1937.

TNS:LEN 7-2

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

> Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232 - FUGITIVE; ANTHONY J.
>
> ALERSBACH, with aliases - FUGITIVE et al.
>
> EDWARD GEORGE BREIER - VICTIL; KIDNAPING; HARBOR-ING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Attention is invited to the report of Special Agent R. E. Peterson dated at Memphis, Tennessee, July 22, 1937, the last two paragraphs of which reflect that Greta Swanson, alias Greta Gilstrap, is presently located at "227½ Madison Avenue" in Memphis, Tennessee.

This is to advise that this number is incorrect and should have been  $277\frac{1}{2}$  Madison Avenue as is reflected in the synopsis of the report.

Very truly yours,

CC Little Rock Cincinnati Cleveland

T. N. STAPLETON Special Agent in Charge

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

JULY 26, 1937.

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a brother, ANTHONY AMERSBACH, who visits him. Mr. ANDREWS advised that he recalls Dr. AMERSBACH has a brother who has visited him during the past two years on one or two occasions. The last visit that Dr. AMERSBACH'S brother made to him, as he recalls, was about six months ago. Mr. ANDREWS described this man, to the best of his recollection, as follows:

Age 35
Height 5'8" - 9"
Weight 160-165 lbs.
Complexion Light (Smooth shaven)

It is to be noted that the description furnished by Mr. ANDREWS does not compare very favorably with the description of ANTHONY AMERSBACH, fugitive in this case. Mr. ANDREWS advised that Dr. AMERSBACH is married and has several children and resides at 277 Park Avenue, New York City. He further advised that he would keep a sharp lookout for Dr. AMERSBACH'S brother and in the event this man visits the doctor he will communicate with the New York Division.

Mr. H. W. MANZER, renting agent, 277 Park Avenue, New York City, which is a very large apartment house, was interviewed and advised that Dr. AMERSBACH rented an apartment at this address in October 1934 and left September 30, 1936; that he went to Blind Brook Road, Westport, Connecticut. He stated that Dr. AMERSBACH is a cancer and skin; specialist and has a very good reputation and that he is married and has three small children, ages 3 to 9 years. Mr. MANZER stated that he does not believe Dr. AMERSBACH has a brother. Mr. MANZER questioned the doorman and the elevator operators at the apartment house and they advised that Dr. AMERSBACH was not known to have a brother but that he has a sister who resides in Denver, Colorado, and that the doctor is supposed to have come from somewhere in the state of Colorado. Mr. MANZER stated that he considers Dr. AMERSBACH a very high class man and he feels that the doctor could be approached for any information concerning amy members of his family. This, however, will not be done unless such a request is received from the Division of origin. Mr. MANZER described Dr. AMERSBACH as follows: Age 40 to 45 years

Height 5'10½"

Weight 175 lbs.

Build Well built

Hair Black, mixed with gray

Large, bulgy

Nationality German extraction.

At the Medical Journal office, 33 West 42nd Street, New York City, the records reflect that Dr. AMERSBACH was graduated from the St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo. in 1927; that he is assistant dermatologist at the Post Graduate Hospital, New York. It is suggested that photograph, of one is available, be furnished to the New York and Hartford Divisions.

For the information of the Hartford and St.

Louis Divisions, the reference report reflects that there is a
warrant presently outstanding for ANTHONY AMERSBACH in the Cleveland
district and that ANTHONY AMERSBACH has a brother PHILIP AMERSBACH,
alias Joseph Amersbach, alias Joseph Phillips, alias Ed Summers,
who is serving a life sentence at the State House of Correction
and Branch Prison, Marquette, Michigan. The reference report also
reflects that information was received that PHILIP AMERSBACH has
a brother Dr. GEORGE AMERSBACH who is located in Rochester, N. Y.
or in New York City. There is no record of a Dr. GEORGE AMERSBACH
in the medical directory in New York, the only Dr. AMERSBACH in
New York City being Dr. JOSEPH C. AMERSBACH.

#### ANTHONY AMERSBACH is described as follows:

Age
Height
5'7" or 8"
Weight
190 lbs."
Build
Heavy
Hair
White - black streak
down middle
Eyes
Brown, piercing
Dress
Neat dresser

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It is to be noted that the description furnished of Dr. Joseph C. Amersbach by Mr. MANZER compares very favorably with the description of subject ANTHONY AMERSBACH.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:



HARTFORD FIELD DIVISION at Westport, Conn. will make discreet investigation at the Post Office and in the neighborhood of the residence of Dr. JOSEPH CORNELIUS ALERSBACH, Blind Brook Road, Westport, Conn., to determine whether ANTHONY AMERSBACH may be contacting his brother, Dr. JOSEPH CORNELIUS AMERSBACH.

St. LOUIS FIELD DIVISION at St. Louis, Mo., will check the records at the St. Louis University and obtain all information concerning Dr. JOSEPH CORNELIUS AMERSBACH, who was graduated from the college in 1927, particularly the name of his father, place of residence, etc., and in the event Dr. CORNELIUS AMERSBACH resided with his parents in St. Louis at the time he was attending college, the St. Louis Division will conduct further investigation to definitely determine whether or not he had a brother ANTHONY AMERSBACH as it is not known definitely that ANTHONY AMERSBACH is a brother of Dr. JOSEPH CORNELIUS AMERSBACH.

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## Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

July 26, 1937

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to the letter from Inspector E. J. Connelley to the Bureau dated at New York City July 17, 1937, containing suggestions to the effect that the Bureau cease investigation seeking the whereabouts of Milton/Lett and Benson Groves, said letter advising the Cleveland office to suspend investigation unless advised to the contrary.

Inasmuch as several offices of the Bureau at the present time are conducting active investigation seeking the whereabouts of both of these individuals, the advice of the Bureau is respectfully requested at an early date as to the feasibility of continuing investigation seeking to locate Groves and Lett, in order that all offices of the Bureau, in the event it is not desired to look for these individuals further, may be notified in the premises.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Chicago Cincinnati

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## Kederal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, A. C.

EAT: MC

July 27, 1937.

Time: 11:20 A.M.

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

I called SAC Brantley at Kansas City and inquired of him if there is not some way in which we can make an arrangement to have Edna Murray removed and questioned to locate the body of Earl Christman, since the Bureau has been sending out letters for about a year with this end in mind and as yet no action has been taken.

Mr. Brantley stated that Casteel has told him he will be back about the first of August and will be able to handle this matter then. Mr. Brantley. said he will give this matter vigorous attention, in order to clear it up.

Mr. Brantley stated that the trial at West Plains, Missouri, was good, the Bureau Agents having made good witnesses, and he has submitted a letter to the Bureau in this regard.

I asked him if he thought the County Attorney at West Plains might be capable of convicting Alvin Karpis of murder, and he stated he believes so, if the Bureau conducts the investigation.

Respectfully,

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#### Federal Bureau of Investigation

### United States Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

July 26, 1937

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the United States Attorney's office, Cleveland, Ohio, has advised that Frank P. Greenwald has notified the office of the U.S. Attorney of his intention to enter a plea of guilty to the indictment charging him with harboring Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and as being an accessory after the fact to the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

Re: OBREKID

It is the information of this office as received from the office of the U.S. Attorney that Frank P. Greenwald will be brought to Cleveland, Ohio, on or about August 1, 1937, at which time it is expected that Federal Judge John Paul Jones will be available to accept the plea and pass sentence.

The Bureau will be kept advised as to developments and immediately notified at the time the plea is entered and sentence is passed.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland,

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Special Agent in Charge Detroit, Kichigan

Re: Brekid

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent H. A. Loughran dated at Detroit, Michigan, July 9, 1937, reflecting that Phillip Amersbach, a brother of the fugitive, Anthony J. Amersbach, is presently confined in the state penitentiary at Marquette, Michigan.

It is requested that you endeavor to make arrangements with the officials of the penitentiary at Karquette, Michigan to appropriately cover all incoming and outgoing correspondence of Phillip Amerebach in the hope of obtaining some lead as to the whereabouts of the fugitive from such correspondence.

It is also requested that you thoroughly review all of the penitentiary files on Phillip Amersbach, including, if possible, any files of the parole board, inassuch as it is felt that persons who may in the past have been interested in a possible parole for Phillip Amersbach are also acquainted and friendly with the fugitive, Anthony J. Amersbach. Along this line it is requested that you also conduct appropriate investigation at the office of the cachier or the warden of the peaitentiary for the purpose of determining whether or not the prisoner, Phillip Amersbach, is receiving or has received in the past any some of money to be deposited to his credit from outside sources, it being felt in this regard that possibly the fugitive may from time to time send money to the prisoner.

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Dear Sir:

An econnection with your memorandum to all Field
Offices dated Lecember 12, 1935 please be advised that the
stop notice placed at the Wotor Vehicles Bureau, Trenton,
New Jersey on a Plymouth Sedan, motor #PJ322772 and serial
#2619057 is still outstanding in this district.

We would appreciate being advised as to whether
or not you wish the above mentioned stop notice continued.

Very truly yours,

W. S. DEVERFAUX Special Agent in Charge

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Washington, B. C.

July 26, 1937.

#### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

RE: BREKID.

Mr. James J. Waters of the Criminal Division called me this morning at 9:45 A. M. and stated that his office is now in receipt of a petition filed by Eart A. Riley before the District Court of Florida on behalf of Adams and Randall.

I have obtained a copy of the petition which reads as follows:

"NOW COME the above Defendants and respectfully show unto the Court that the United States Government has books, records, papers and effects of Joseph H. Adams, and personal belongings of Henry Randell, and the said Defendants ask the Court to enter an order for the return thereof to the Defendants, through Bart A. Riley, their attorney, and in said order to except the automatic gun or rifle, but to include therein one certain revolver and holster, the property of M. H. Rolfe, a deputy sheriff, which said holster and gun were in the possession of Henry Randell at the time of his arrest, he, the said Henry Randell at that time being a licensed, armed guard in the employ of M. H. TRolfe.

Dated at Miami, Florida, this 1st day of July, A.D., 1937.

(S) BART A FILEY Attorney for Defendants."

After receiving this call, I held a conversation with Messrs. Waters and Charles Carr in the office of Mr. Waters. I told them both that the Bureau desires that Bart Riley make more definite and certain his request for

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the return of certain books, records, papers and effects of Adams and Randall. Waters told me that a request would therefore be made of Riley to make more definite and certain this demand for the return of certain effects.

I have no personal recollection of a revolver having been obtained by Agents from Randall, at the time of his apprehension. I will look into this matter, however, and communicate with the Miami office to determine definitely whether we have such a gum in our possession.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA. MIAMI DIVISION.

No. -M-Criminal.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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JOSEPH H. ADAMS, alias JOE ADAMS, alias JOE H. ADAMS, and HENDRY CRANDALL, alias HENRY RANDALL, alias HENRY OBTERN,

Defendants.

ARGUMENT OF J. MARK WILCOX IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO EXCLUDE STATEMENTS MADE BY DEFENDANTS TO GOVERNMENT AGENTS.

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alias DUKE RANDALL, alias HENRY STERN,	)		
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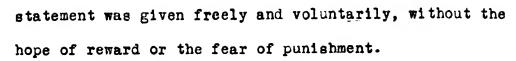
ARGUMENT OF J. MARK WILCOX
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO EXCLUDE STATEMENTS
MADE BY DEFENDANTS TO GOVERNMENT AGENTS.

MR. WILCOX: If Your Honor please, at the outset, I want to remind the Court that it has been some twelve years since I have been identified with any case of any sort - -

THE COURT: Well, forget you are a Congressman now, and be a lawyer.

MR. WILCOX: As I recall the rule of evidence that obtains not only in this Court, but in all courts of this country, the constitutional guarantee against a man being forced to appear as a witness against himself is one of the most jealously guarded of all personal liberty and freedom. No man, as I recall the rule, can be forced to give testimony against himself, and no incriminating or alleged incriminating statement may be used against him unless that





Now, in this matter, if the Court please, there is, of course, unfortunately, as in practically all matters of this sort, a very sharp conflict between the testimony of the man alleged to have signed the statement and those alleged to have procured the statement. Naturally and necessarily, those who procured the statement are very much interested in having it to appear to the Court that nothing improper was done, that no improper practices were engaged in, that all that was done was done in the most courteous manner and under most polite conditions, and that the defendant just voluntarily made a statement which the government now proposes to use against him, and that he did it after having been warned that it was going to be used against him.

Now, I would like to call the Court's attention to the fact that there are many ways of coercing a defendant besides what we commonly refer to as maltreatment. A defendant may be coerced not alone by beating him, not alone by pointing guns at him, not alone by threats of punishment, and not alone by holding out directly the hope of reward; but the very conditions and the very circumstances under which a statement is taken may of themselves constitute coercion.



Now, I would like to call the Court's attention to the fact that in this case, although the testimony is in sharp conflict on the point, insofar as the statement of Adams is concerned, the defendant testifies that that statement was procured from him only after four days of intensive grilling at the hands of representatives of the great Government of the United States. He had been questioned constantly and continuously during the daylight hours for some three or four days; his wife was in a delicate condition; his father-in-law was urging him not to be stubborn, but to remember the welfare of his family, and since this thing was only a routine matter to go ahead and dispose of the statement. Not two witnesses - - the defendant and his father-in-law -- three witnesses, and his attorney, at that time all testified positively that the direct statement was made that "If you sign this statement, it is only a matter of clearing the record.

Mr. Knight testified that this agent in charge said that "We will dispose of this matter in a very few minutes and Adams would be released from the case, except that Adams is bull-headed, stubborn, and he won't sign anything, and we prepared a little statement here that is perfectly innocuous, perfectly harmless, and he won't sign it. And Knight said, "Put him on the phone and let me talk to him



and he will sign it". And Knight told him over the telephone, "These men have assured me that there is nothing in this statement that can hurt you or incriminate you; they have assured me that there is no prosecution contemplated; they have assured me that you are not going to be arrested or prosecuted or further molested. Go ahead and sign the statement and quit your stubbornness and get the matter over".

Now, this continued; but I want to call the Court's attention to a very significant fact. It was stated during the progress of this case that this warrant had been issued on the 25th of January --

MR. RILEY: The warrant for Adams was issued on the 21st.

MR. WILCOX: I will withdraw the statement, Your Honor. Regardless of the date of the issuance of the warment, this very significant fact is in this case. These men had questioned Mr. Adams for at least three and possibly four days. Now, whether there was any promise or not, I want the Court to bear this in mind. He had not been actually arrested. He signed this statement after four days of questioning, and immediately upon laying down the pen, he was told that he was under arrest. The United States Commissioner was waiting in his office by previous appointment, waiting until they could get this man hooked



with a statement, before he would be brought in to be arraigned before the United States Commissioner, and yet it would appear to the Court from the government's testimony that all of this was a perfectly free and voluntary act upon the part of the defendant and that he was making it freely and voluntarily and was warned that it was about to be used against him.

Now, if the Court please, if there was nothing \*rotten in Denmark", if there was nothing suspicious about the execution of this statement, then why in the name of common sense hadn't he already been brought before the Commissioner and arraigned during the four days that he had been in their custody? The answer to that is quite obvious. They knew that if he was arraigned they couldn't get his signature on that statement. They got his signature on the statement because they had not previously put him under arrest, and he testifies, his father-in-law testifies, and his aftorney testifies that there was a definite and positive assurance at that time that there would be no prosecution if the statement was signed. Now, of course, Your Honor, I know that the courts by force of circumstance have had to rule that an agent of the government cannot bind the government. An agent of the great Government of the United States cannot make a deal that is binding on the government. But you and I know, Your Honor, that there





is a higher law than that. You and I know that the law of common, ordinary decency requires that when a statement has been made, that it be lived up to by honest and honorable men. Why wasn't this man arrested until the moment that he laid down the pen from having signed this statement if he wasn't being entrapped into making that statement?

Now, I am frank to admit to the Court that I have examined this statement - - what purports to be a copy of it, and, if it is authentic, there isn't a word in the world in it that is inconsistent with every theory of innocence of this defendant, and yet it is obnoxious; it is contrary to the very fundamentals of this government, that a man should be forced to give any testimony in a case against himself unless it be procured under circumstances where there cannot be the slightest suspicion of irregularity. And I say to the Court that with this sharp conflict in the testimony I do not believe that it can be said by the Court, nor by anyone else, that it has been established beyond reasonable doubt that this statement was procured under circumstances free of suspicion.

And then, I want to call the Court's attention to
the statement that I made at the outset, that coercion
need not necessarily be in the form of maltreatment. I
can well imagine, Your Honor, - - I have never had the un-

fortunate circumstance to happen to me - - but I can well imagine how I would feel. If the greatly publicized Federal Bureau of Information - -

MR. CARR: He doesn't even know the name of the Bureau.

THE COURT: Maybe you are like the old negro once said when Judge Spear asked him if he had anything to say why the sentence of the Court shouldn't be imposed, and he said, "Yes, Your Honor, Judge, you don't know what a burden it has been to me since I have been kotched!." Maybe you haven't been "kotched" yet.

MR. WILCOX: That's it; they say we all belong to two classes, the caught and uncaught. I have been fortunate up to the present time to be in the second class, but the great G-men, whatever its name is; I confess there are so many bureaus, departments and divisions of this government that I can't even keep up with the correct names of them, but whatever it is, it is the greatly publicized G-man department, and I can well imagine how I would feel --

THE COURT: I can keep up with the real names, but I can't keep up with the initials.

MR. WILCOX: That's it; the alphabetical arrangement.

I would, if some of these highly publicized moving picture
heroes who are constantly held up to the public, through



their free use of their shooting irons, should come into my office, take me off to a hotel room, and question me for hours. I can well imagine that I would be greatly excited, and I would be greatly unnerved. Here was the man who was being questioned by these men; he had been questioned for four days; the sanctity of his home had been invaded; his private living quarters had been searched without warrant of authority; his personal belongings had been gummed over and pawed over; the records of his business had been taken from him, without permission, and without legal authority had been seized, and as I understand, without even a receipt being given for them. His family was in a physical condition to require his constant attention. He was being hounded, and pounded with questions, and believing that a statement had been prepared that contained nothing beyond a mere recital of facts, and believing that it was merely a routine matter, and relying upon what he believed to be an agreement that the signing of that document guaranteed him immunity, he signed it without even reading it. Now it is offered, contrary to the Constitution and the guaranties contained in the Bill of Rights, as an attempt to force him to testify against himself.

Now, insofar as the statement of Duke Randall is concerned, I want to call the Court's attention to the fact that this courteous treatment, this polite negotiation

between these gentlemen, required that in their anxiety for the welfare of Mr. Randall they had to chain him to a bed. They did it, not to intimidate him, it is true; not to scare him; not to make him feel he was being subjected to duress; but they did it because they loved him, because they wanted to protect him against himself.

Now, I want the Court to remember that, and to remember that the agent testified that he did it for Mr. Randall's own protection. Why? Because Mr. Randall was in such a condition of excitement, fear, and nervousness, that they were afraid he was about to destroy himself; they were afraid he was going to jump out of the window; and his nervous, mental and physical condition was such that it was necessary to chain him to a bed to protect him from himself. I ask the Court in all fairness, in all honesty, in all sincerity, is a man in that condition in such shape that he can make a statement that could be used in a court? I ask the Court if this man came onto this witness stand this morning to testify, either in his own case or in somebody else's case, and it was apparent to this Court that the man's nervous and mental condition was such that the Court had to order him to be chained to that chair to keep him from destroying himself, would this Court permit him to testify as a witness, even against somebody else?

And yet, that's the government's contention, that at the very time that they had him in this room to extract politely and courteously and considerately the statement to be used against him, that his condition was such they feared he would jump out of a ten-story window and destroy himself on the pavement below; yet, we are told that here is a statement of a man in full possession of his facilities, given freely and voluntarily. Finally, of course, he fell so much in love with these gentlemen that he became like a yard-dog - - I believe that is the expression Mr. Carr. used - - and they couldn't even run him off; and on one occasion, when it was rumored that an airplane was coming over, and most of the Department had to go out to see about the airplane, to protect this man, they again chained him, and that time, to make sure that he didn't hurt himself they left two guards over him with machine-guns - - to make sure that he didn't hurt himself. I say, Your Honor, that that is coercion; that is duress of a more subtle form than if he had been hit over the head with a blackjack, or kicked in the ribs, or cursed and abused, when the very circumstances - -

THE COURT: They don't use a blackjack any more; the scientific method is to beat them with a rubber hose.

MR. WILCOX: Yes, sir. I am not acquainted with those methods, Your Honor, but I submit that there is a mental tor-





ture that far exceeds any physical torture to which the human system may be subjected; and I submit that the very circumstances surrounding this case, the very circumstances surrounding the procurement of this statement were such as to show that this man was in no physical, mental, or nervous condition to know what he was doing, and he was in no condition to give testimony either against himself or against anyone else.

I submit, Your Honor, that while inference and innuendo by cleverly wording some of the statements in this document, innuendo might be drawn from them to be used against these men, and casual readings of the statements have not disclosed them to me, but evidently it is intended to place that inference and that innuendo upon these statements; otherwise there would not be such a strenuous effort made to put them into evidence, and for that reason I am sure that the Court - - I knew the Court when he was a district attorney himself, and I had an opportunity to observe his method of conducting his trials, and I want to say to the Court that I am sure that the Court will give this same consideration that he gave in those days to the production of his own testimony, and I am confident that when the rule is laid down on these two statements, as to whether or not these men were in condition at the moment to make these statements, whether they were in condition to know

the full purport of the statements that were being made when they were not even in condition to read them themselves and had to have them read to them, that when the Court applies the rule that these statements must have been made freely and voluntarily and with full knowledge of the facts, and that a prosecution was likely, and that these statements would in that event be used against them, and that the statements were made, not/under those conditions, but without the fear of punishment or the hope of reward, and when the Court applies to it the same rule and the same regulation as to the qualification of a witness's competency to testify, not only for himself, but for or against his fellow man, that the Court will find that these circumstances do not measure up to that high standard set by the law, and therefore, that these statements are not admissible in evidence.

(Immediately following the above statement Mr. Carr responded, and in which response numerous citations were read to the Court relative to the subject matter under discussion.)

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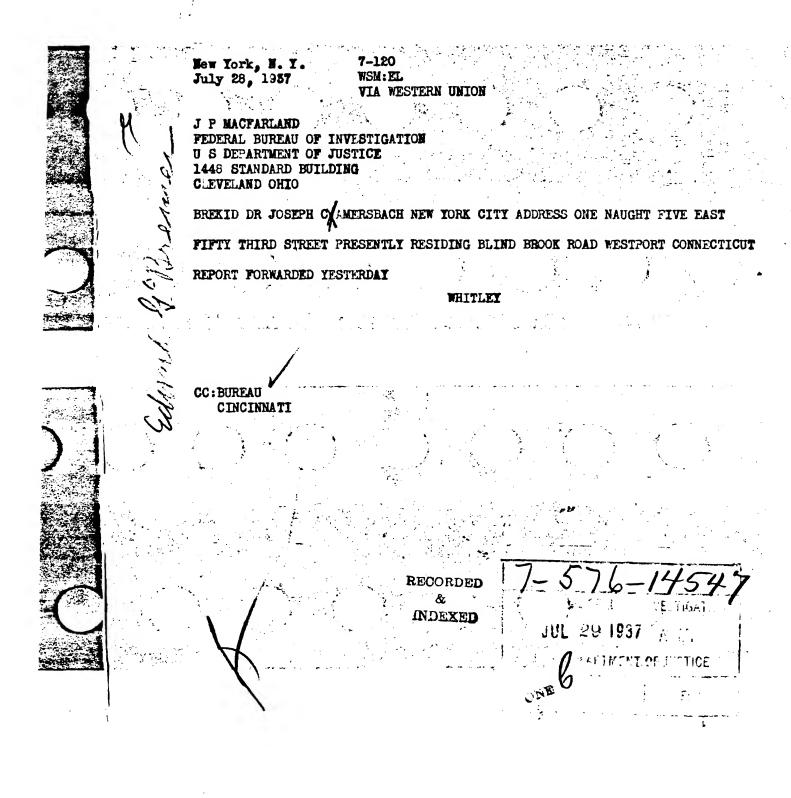
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## Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice Post Office Box 1469 Little Rock, Arkansas July 26, 1937



Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am attaching hereto memoranda submitted by Special Agents John L. Madala and D. P. Sullivan as requested in a letter from the Cleveland Field Division to the Bureau dated July 16, 1937.

These memoranda have reference to the remarks which Special Agent E. J. Wynn is alleged to have made reflecting on the integrity and professional ethics of Attorney John C& Cochrene.

Very truly yours,

Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Cincinnati Inspector E. J. Connelley

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#### Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice Post Office Box 1469 Little Rock, Arkansas July 26, 1937



#### MEMORANDUM FOR SAC CHAPMON FLETCHER:

#### RE: BREKID

Reference is made to letter to the Bureau from the Cleveland Field Division dated July 16, 1937, a copy of which was forwarded to this office, relative to certain allegations made by Mr. John C. Cochrane, Attorney at Law, Toledo, Ohio, against Special Agent E. J. Wynn of the Cleveland Field Division.

Please be advised that the writer assisted in the arrest of Bert Angus at Toledo, Ohio, on May 23, 1937. He was immediately brought to the office of the United States Attorney in Toledo, where other Agents were on duty under the supervision and direction of Inspector E. J. Connelley. The writer recalls that Special Agent D. P. Sullivan was assigned to interrogate Bert Angus relative to his participation in the harboring of Alvin Karpis and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang in Toledo, Ohio, during the year of 1934.

During the time that Bert Angus was being detained in the office of the United States Attorney at Toledo, the writer was in and out of the office where Angus was being questioned, and at no time did the writer observe Agent Wynn talk with Angus, nor did the writer at any time or place hear the name of Cochrane mentioned.

During the course of the investigation at Toledo, Ohio, in connection with the Brekid case, to which matter the writer was exclusively assigned from August, 1935, to November, 1935, numerous persons, including the wife of Bert Angus, Madeline Angus, have told the writer that Bert Angus is of hoodlum character and has operated illegally for the past ten years. The writer knows from his experience in the Brekid case that Bert Angus has from time to time repeatedly lied to Agents when interviewed by them relative to certain phases of the investigation at Toledo, Ohio.

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Respectfully submitted,

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John L. MADALA, Special Agent. 7-576-14548

cc Bureau Cincinnati Cleveland

#### Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice Post Office Box 1469 Little Rock, Arkansas July 26, 1937

## MEMORANDUM FOR SAC CHAPMON FLETCHER:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to the letter from the Cleveland Field Division to the Bureau, dated July 16, 1937, bearing on the letter of Attorney John C. Cochrane dated July 15, 1937, which contains certain alleged remarks which Special Agent E. J. Wynn is suppose to have made to Bert Angus reflecting on the professional integrity of Mr. Cochrane.

You are advised that on Saturday, May 23, 1937, Bert Angus was arrested at Toledo, Ohio, by Special Agents H. B. Dill, A. Dickstein, W. J. Devereaux, John L. Madala and the writer on the charge that he aided and harbored Alvin Karpis at Toledo, Ohio, during the year of 1934. Angus was brought to the United States Attorney's office at Toledo, Ohio, for questioning. I was assigned the specific duty of interviewing Bert Angus and thereafter did interview him for several hours on the night of May 23 and again during the day and night of May 24, 1937. Throughout this period Bert Angus denied that he or his brother, Theodore Angus, actively harbored Alvin Karpis and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang at Toledo, Ohio, during the summer of 1934.

Various agents who were assigned to the interviewing and guarding of the other prisoners, who were them in custody at the United States Attorney's office, were in end out of the room where the writer was interviewing Bert Angus, and different agents casually questioned Bert Angus in the absence of the writer from the room where Angus was kept. The writer recalls that Special Agent R. J. Wynn was one of the several agents in the room with Bert Angus at different times, and Agent Wynn did question Bert Angus for a short while on probably more than one occasion in the writer's presence. I can not recall that Agent Wynn, at any time, made any disparaging remarks reflecting on the integrity and professional ethics of Mr. Cochrane. In fact, the writer can truthfully say that the name of Cochrane was

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Memorandum for SAC Chapmon Fletcher:

July 26, 1937

not at all familiar to him when he read the letter from the Cleveland Field Division.

The writer can state that Bert Angus was interviewed early in the year of 1936 by Inspector E. J. Connelley and his statements indicate that he is a persistent lier. While the writer was interviewing Bert Angus at the United States Attorney's office after his arrest, he continued to lie concerning his known association with members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

The Bureau's investigation at Toledo, Ohio, disclosed that Bert and Ted Angus were for some years the intermediaries between the criminal element which these men harbored and the corrupt law enforcement officials in that city. It is probable, therefore, that the statements of Bert Angus were made for the purpose of discrediting the Bureau because the Bureau was one of the very few law enforcement agencies which Bert and Ted Angus had been unable to "reach".

Respectfully submitted,

B. P. Sulliven.

D. P. SULLIVAN, Special Agent

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Inspector E. J. Connelley
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# Federal Bureau of Investigatios. United States Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building Cleveland, Ohio

July 28, 1937

Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Attention: Identification Unit

BREKID

Reference is made to the letter to the Director dated at Cleveland, Ohio, October 8th, 1936, requesting a stop notice to be placed against the fingerprints of BENSON GROVES with aliases: B. J.OGrayson, and George Wilson, FBI #10577.

The Bureau by letter dated July 26, 1937, to Inspector E. J. Connelley has instructed that all investigation by this Bureau seeking the whereabouts of Benson Groves be discontinued. Therefore, the stop notice placed against his prints, requesting the Cleveland office to be advised in the event of his apprehension, is no longer desired, and it is specifically requested that such stop notice be withdrawn from the files of the Bureau.

It is, of course, pointed out that this request should in no way affect a wanted notice or stop order placed by any other law enforcement agency.

Very truly yours

RECORDED pecial Agent in Charge.

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cc - Chicago Cincinnati

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E. J. Connelley -Inspector

(New York City)